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Worth The Effort

HOWEVER varied reactions may be to certain specific suggestions advanced by Sir Winston Churchill in the House of Commons yesterday, there will be general agreement that his speech was a masterly appraisal of current international affairs and a statesmanlike endeavour to treat them with realism and in language both restrained and dignified. Principal, and probably most controversial proposal which he put forward was that an attempt be made to hold private and informal talks on the highest level between the leading Powers. This is no new idea which has suddenly forced itself on the mind of Sir Winston. He was promoting the proposition as long ago as 1950, though circumstances then were very clearly less favourable than they are today for its effectual realisation. The essence of the Prime Minister's latest proposal is that any meeting, say between President Eisenhower, himself and Mr. Malenkov, should be informal and exploratory; that views should be exchanged and the effort made to establish a common ground from which could eventually emerge contractual agreements through diplomatic conferences for the preservation of international peace and security. It is true that both Mr. Malenkov and President Eisenhower have made oblique references to the same subject, but the approach, in each case, has been in a somewhat negative form. Sir Winston Churchill suggests a more positive attitude, for, as he observes, he sees no reason why anyone should be frightened about trying to get some of the world's leaders together for friendly talks.

THE reactions of both President Eisenhower and Mr. Malenkov to the proposition are of first importance. It is hardly likely they will be forthcoming immediately, but there is no obvious reason why, when they are manifest, they should be unfavourable. Grave problems affecting international relations in many parts of the world are demanding solution, and if, through personal contact between world leaders, the mutual suspicion which has hampered negotiations during the past seven years can be removed, the prospects of reaching agreements on problems such as the Austrian Treaty and the future of Germany must automatically improve. It is unlikely that even Sir Winston Churchill believes a high level conference would sweep away all differences of opinion between Russia and the Western world, but there will be many who will agree with his confident belief that such a meeting would help to remove a number of artificial obstacles now standing in the way of a rapprochement. A personal meeting between Eisenhower, Malenkov and Churchill could not only open the way to better understanding between the "Soviets" and the democracies, but it could materially help to create a new atmosphere in the United Nations Organisation and lead to more fruitful deliberations on problems which today are gravely threatening the peace of the world.

Churchill's Foreign Policy Speech Pleases Parliament

REACTIONS ELSEWHERE EXPECTED TO BE MIXED

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FRENCH REACTIONS

Paris, May 11. Sir Winston Churchill's proposal to hold a Big Power conference with as few powers as possible produced mixed reactions in French diplomatic circles here today.

The official spokesman of the French Foreign Office refused to comment but in political circles people were asking themselves whether the British Prime Minister was proposing a return to the method of Yalta, when France was excluded from the talks between the United States, Russia and Britain.

The speech made the impression in Paris that the British Government was very confident of bringing about negotiations with Moscow.

It was supposed here that the Russians must already have given some concrete indications to the British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir Alvaury Gascoigne, on which questions they were prepared to discuss.—Reuter.

SATISFACTION

Bonn, May 11. West German government quarters welcomed "with great satisfaction" the foreign policy speech of Sir Winston Churchill in the House of Commons.

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Dramatically Rescued After Dangling 40 Feet In Space



"Dracula" Mystery Baffles Police

Manila police early today were still baffled by the mystery of an "unseen being" which apparently bit the arms of a girl prisoner even in the presence of police, reporters and a police doctor.

One of the most bizarre cases in Manila police history began last night when an eighteen-year-old girl who had been held in a women's detention cell for a week on a vagrancy charge, started yelling that she was being bitten by a "flying human being with bulging eyes and wearing a black cap".

Fellow inmates of the prison made such a noise that the police investigated. They took the girl from her cell to police headquarters for observation.

There, about midnight, while a police lieutenant held her left arm, she began shrieking "Here he comes again!"

Reporters who had arrived on hearing of "Dracula's" invasion of the Philippines saw nobody but the girl began to squirm in the police officer's grip.

BITE MARKS
Then, as horrified police and reporters looked on, the girl was surrounded by what looked like saliva appeared on her left arm.

Mystified, the police called in a doctor who examined the marks, by now also appearing on the girl's right arm, and said they were unmistakably human.

As the girl cried out in pain and terror more bite marks appeared.

Questioned by the police as to whether she had previously encountered the apparition the girl said that she had not. She also denied that the ghostlike thing resembled anybody she knew or had met before.

Up to early this morning she was still being kept under observation as police and medical experts continued to seek the cause of the mysterious bites.—Reuter.

Indian MP Arrested

New Delhi, May 11.

Dr S. P. Mookerjee, a member of the Indian Parliament, was arrested today on the Punjab-Jammu border when he tried to enter the state without a permit.

Since the Kashmir fighting in 1947 all visitors to the state must get entry permits from the Indian Government. Dr Mookerjee was arrested by Jammu and Kashmir state police.

He had earlier sent telegrams to the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, and the Premier of Kashmir, Sheikh Abdullah, stating he intended to visit Jammu "to explore the possibilities of creating conditions which may expedite a peaceful settlement and the restoration of good feelings and understanding among all concerned."—Reuter.

Film Star Denies Report

New York, May 11.

Screen star Bette Davis denied a report today that she is suffering from cancer of the jaw as she left for a summer in Maine with her family in Maine.

The report was broadcast nationally last night by a radio commentator.

"There is absolutely no truth to that," Miss Davis said. "The doctors say that I have made a splendid recovery from a rather common bone infection and I am sure that they would not let me leave the city if I were seriously ill."—United Press.

Rescuers haul to safety a truck driver, P. M. Overby, of Portland, Oregon (arrow) after the cab of his giant tractor-trailer had crashed through the guard rail of the Pitt River Bridge in California, and left the man dangling forty feet in the air.—AP photo.

Dulles And Naguib Find The Solution

Cairo, May 11.

The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, said tonight that he and Premier Mohammed Naguib had agreed that foreign troops should be withdrawn from the Suez Canal Zone and the waterway should be available to the free world in case of war.

Mr. Dulles talked for two hours and 15 minutes with the Egyptian leader soon after his arrival at the start of a fact-finding out of the Middle and Near East.

After the meeting, Mr. Dulles issued a statement saying they had agreed on the gradual withdrawal of British troops from the Suez area. Only last week Anglo-Egyptian negotiations over the Suez were deadlocked.

"We came to the conclusion," said the statement, "that there should be a solution with full Egyptian sovereignty, but that the important base in the Canal area, with depots, supplies and a system of technical supervision, should remain in good working order and be available for immediate use on behalf of the free world in the event of future hostilities."—United Press.

Volcano Erupts

Melbourne, May 11.

Travelers and aircraft were today evacuating natives from Long Island off New Guinea after a volcano began to shoot a stream of mud and ashes thousands of feet high.

Government officials today made an aerial survey of the island, which lies off the northeast coast of New Guinea.—Reuter.

HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATE

Socialists Put Forward Requests To Premier

London, May 11.

Mr Philip Noel-Baker, a former Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, said today in the House of Commons that it was absurd to hope for a settlement in Korea, Indo-China and Malaya while trying to get Formosa to fight Peking.

Mr Noel-Baker was the chief Opposition speaker in the foreign affairs debate opened by Sir Winston Churchill.

Mr Noel-Baker said he hoped the Prime Minister would persuade President Eisenhower that no more arms should be sent to Formosa, and that sending arms there could not possibly assist an Asian settlement.

He also hoped that if negotiations began about Korea and other problems, the Prime Minister, after the first conference, would see that they were conducted by responsible Ministers.

"If the Kremlin and Peking mean business, the days for tie-ups are over; we require a powerful Ministerial team," he added.

Mr Noel-Baker said it was not for the collective wisdom of the Government of the United Nations to decide how Korea should be made a free and independent nation.

Indo-China was in a very dangerous position, and the recent Communist aggression in Laos has brought them face to face with the prospect that Indo-China might be conquered and that the freedom and integrity of Siam and Burma—both independent self-governing members of the United Nations—might be menaced too.

CLEAR THINKING
He asked what it would mean for Malaya and for Britain and the United Nations and for the economic co-operation and mutual aid of Asia and the West.

It was essential, he said, that there should be clear thinking about the politics and international law of the Indo-China war.

In Indo-China, he added, there was a genuine nationalist upsurge of feeling as there had been in Indonesia, India and elsewhere. The Communists had sought to use it.

If the French would make it plain that nationhood was their objective for their people in the Far East, and that they had no fundamental reservations, the present complexities of Indo-Chinese problems would disappear.

The French would find as Britain had done, that the Commonwealth relationship had everything to commend it. French prestige and influence would be safeguarded as it could be in no other way.

He urged the Government to use its influence to the utmost to ensure that the United Nations resolution calling for the withdrawal by Chinese Na-

tionalist forces from Burma should be effectively and speedily applied.

Mr John Strachey, former Labour War Minister, said Britain ought to say frankly that if the Korean truce negotiations broke down in present circumstances, world public opinion would not blame the Korean or Chinese negotiators but the Americans.

He did not blame the Americans during the phase of the truce negotiations, but in the present vital phase they were doing "little more than haggle over details."

CRUX OF SITUATION
Mr Strachey suggested that after a truce in Korea, Britain should support the seating of the "real government of China" in the United Nations Security Council.

That would be a sign that the United States had dropped its "internationalist attitude in China." That was "really the crux of the whole situation in the Far East."

It was imperative for the British Government to make its opposition to that attitude clear in deeds as well as words.

The Prime Minister had done it in words, but it should be followed by specific action.

"In an issue of this magnitude we cannot refrain from making our view heard," he said. "If we do, we sink from the position of an independent country to that of a satellite."

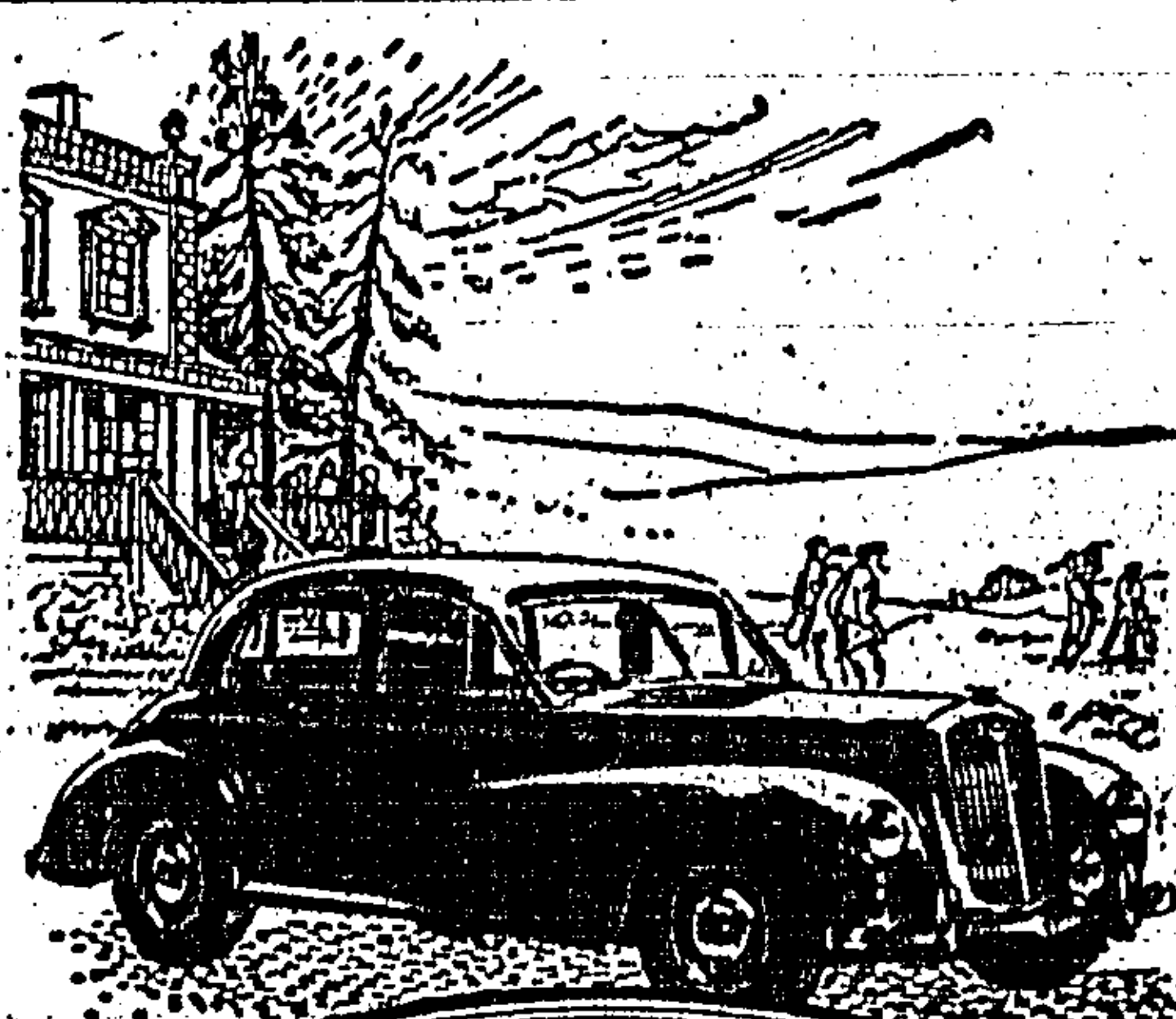
Mr Clement Davies, leader of the Liberals, said he regarded the Prime Minister's speech as one of his greatest—and that is saying a great deal.—Reuter.

MAHARAJAH'S HOME BURGLED

London, May 11.

The home of the Maharajah of Jaipur, Saint Hill Manor, East Grinstead, Sussex, was raided by burglars during the week-end and jewellery believed to be worth £2,000 was stolen.

Nobody in the house heard anything and it is not known how many burglars were involved. As far as can be ascertained, entrance was obtained through a window reached from a verandah.—France-Presse.



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Comet Turned Back By Dust Storm

Calcutta, May 11.

A British Overseas Airways Corporation Comet west-bound for the Singapore-London service returned to Dum Dum airport tonight because of a dust storm. A three-and-a-half-hour flight.

Two other Comets and a Dakota have crashed in Northern India during the past

10 days, during or just after dust storms. Sixty-one lives were lost.

A BOAC spokesman said today the Comet would leave for Delhi at 8 a.m. tomorrow, by that time, he said, the storm now raging over North-west India will probably have died down.

The Comet's 20 passengers and crew are spending the night here.

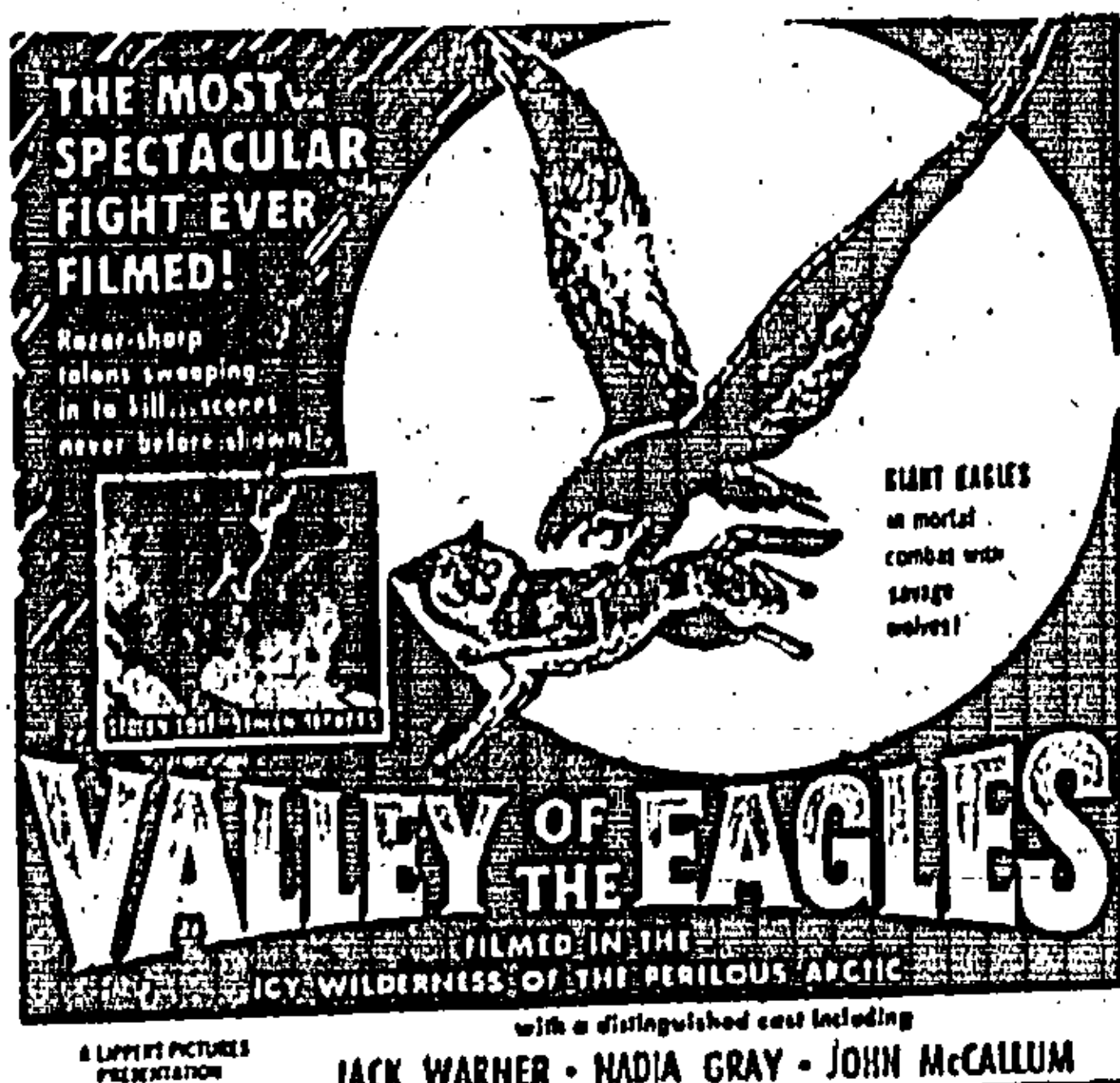
All services in and out of New Delhi were cancelled earlier today because of the dust storm. Planes were diverted to Agra and Jodhpur to await the "all clear."—Reuter.

Jap Industrialists Visiting Britain

London, May 11.

Nine members of Japanese Chambers of Commerce and Industry flew into London today on a short visit to Britain. The delegation is visiting several countries on what is understood to be mainly a fact-finding tour.—Reuter.

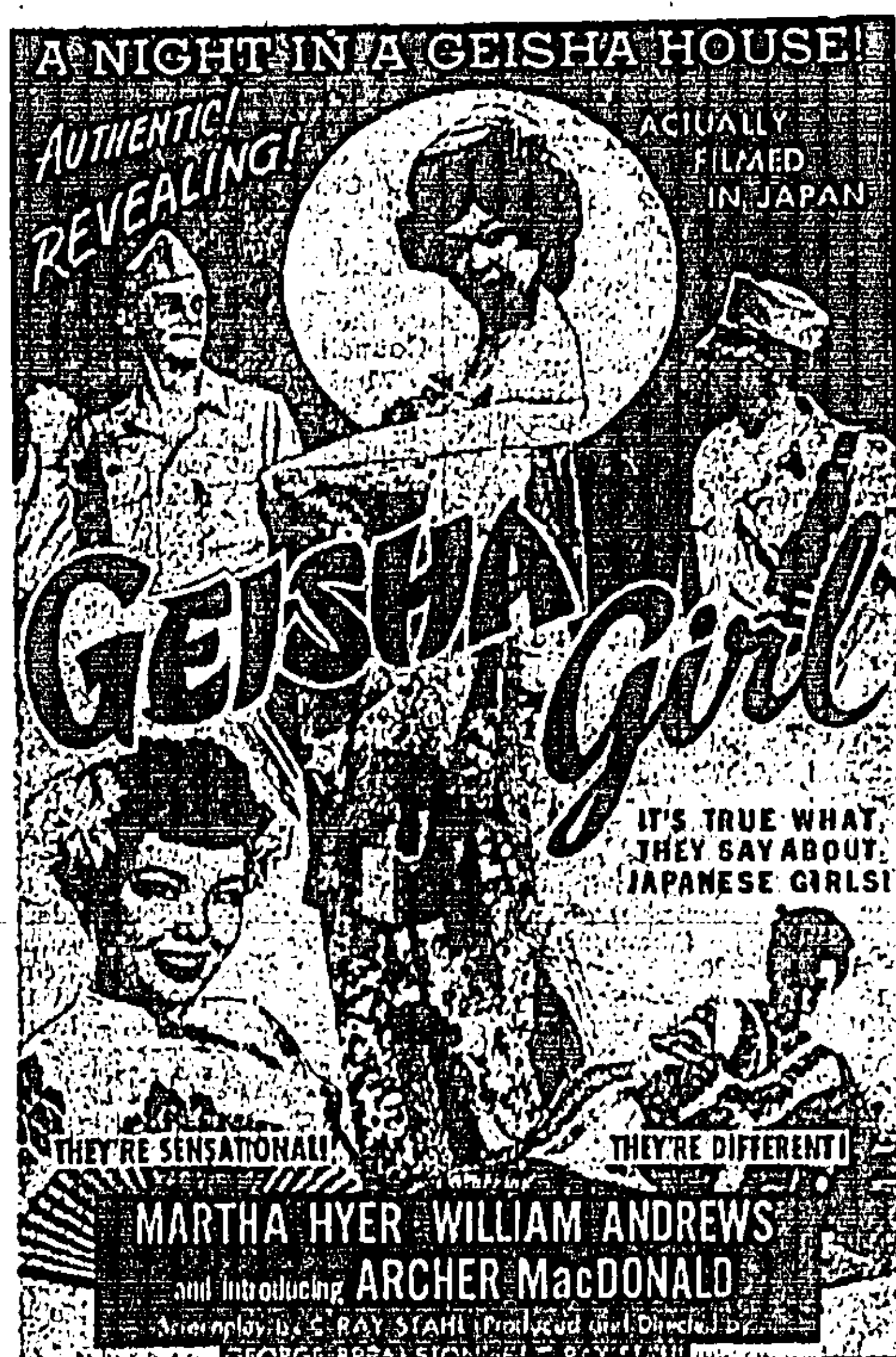
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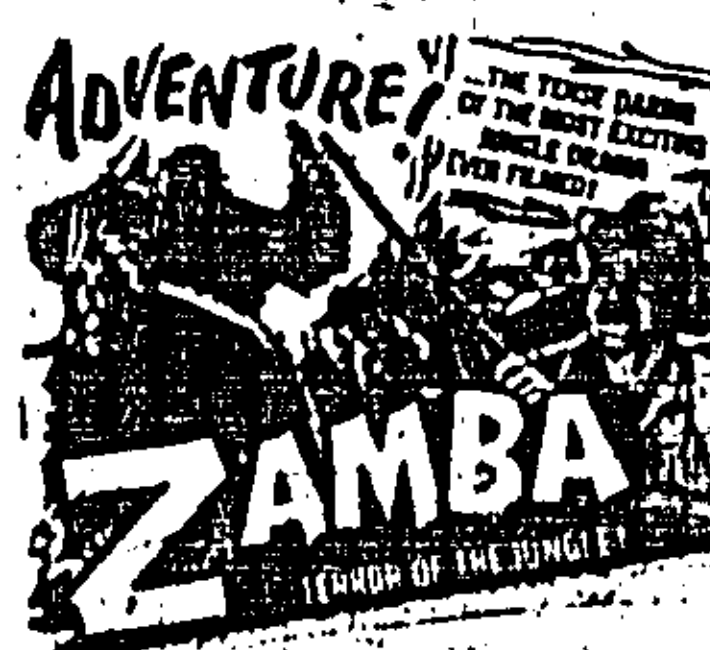
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Rootes Sign Contract With Tokyo Firm

London, May 11. Sir William Rootes today announced that arrangements had been concluded for the assembly of Rootes Group products through the Isuzu Motor Company, Ltd., in Japan.

The Isuzu Motor Company of Tokyo are among the largest truck manufacturers in Japan. The vehicles will be sold throughout the Japanese islands by Messrs Yamato, a company owned jointly by the Isuzu Company and Rootes interests.

The negotiations have been conducted by Mr J. G. Chaldecott, Managing Director of Rootes export division, who has been in the Far East for some months. The new development is expected considerably to extend the export of Rootes Group products in the Far East.

On May 20 Crown Prince Akihito of Japan is to visit the Rootes group factories in Coventry.—Reuter.

STRIKE SITUATION IN FRANCE

Paris, May 11. Thousands of Renault car factory workers roamed disconsolately outside the police-guarded location today, while a skeleton staff inside was slowly increasing output after a three-week strike.

The management has so far called back about 5,000 men individually since closing the factory, which employs 40,000 last Wednesday.

The strike had completely halted production.

Deadlock persisted as the strike of merchant navy officers for a 40-hour week entered its second week today.

Dozens of ships have been laid up by their owners—23 in Marseilles alone—and scores more have been immobilised by the strike action.

The French Trans-Atlantic Lines have already cancelled three sailings for New York, surrendering full passenger lists to foreign companies and misadventure booked-up return voyages with Coronation tourists bound for Britain.—Reuter.

Polish Government Starts A Drive Against Crime

Stockholm, May 11.

Poland's Communist Government has started a drive against a crime wave which is sweeping the country under the Red regime. New legislation fixes drastic penalties for hooliganism, theft and black marketeering which, the Polish press says, have become a national problem.

Two kinds of hooligans are being brought before the courts and receiving sentences of several years' imprisonment in the worst cases.

They are rowdies who damage public property for no other apparent reason than to desire to destroy, and young boys who poke loud fun at the government and poster the general public at the same time.

In Warsaw the rowdies concentrate in the suburban trains, slashing seats, breaking windows and assaulting personnel when they try to intervene.

The young men charged with a less vicious and more high spirited kind of hooliganism gather in the cinemas. They break up queues waiting to buy tickets for Russian films, give loud cat calls when blatant Communist propaganda is flashed on to the screen and occasionally assault civilians they suspect of being secret police agents who are planted about the auditorium to watch the reaction of the audience.

Although these young men mock the extremes of the Red regime, they seem to have the general public against them, since on occasion they molest ordinary, honest citizens. This is borne out by the fact that university students in whom anti-Russian feelings run high, as Polish newspapers admit, have undertaken to guard a number of Warsaw cinemas where the "hooligans" have been most troublesome.

"BIKINI BOYS"

The type of hooligans the Polish police are most eager to catch have been nicknamed by the newspapers "The Bikini boys." These boys burlesque the anti-American propaganda of the Polish information services and turn it into a big boomerang which flies back at the government before the eyes of the whole Polish people.

When the authorities offered a prize for a new hair style to replace "decadent Western styles," the Bikini boys came out with the long locks usually associated in the Western world with an effeminate type of loutish intellectual.

The authorities campaigned against "American vulgarity in dress" and a number of Bikini boys came out in zoot suits.

Bikini girls joined up with Bikini boys to dance the jitterbug in Warsaw night clubs after the authorities had offered a prize for the inventor of a new "progressive people's" dancing style.

The Polish authorities, after trying to repress the Bikini boy

by sharp prison sentences, are now trying propaganda as a remedy. They have arranged for Adolf Dymnska, a leading Polish comedian, to make a new film in the Lodz Studios gaying "Bikiniism."

SPECIAL LAWS

In real life the black market, and the operators who steal goods from the State shops and warehouses to feed it, have become so widespread that special legislation has been passed against them.

In future, people stealing "State property," which includes any commodity sold in the State shops, valued at 300 zlotys or less, will be sentenced to two years' imprisonment if he is personally responsible for this property in the course of his employment. If he is not personally responsible, the penalty is a minimum of six months and a maximum of 12 months.

Earlier legislation fixes more severe penalties for persons stealing State property of a higher value.

Other new laws fix heavy penalties for shopkeepers and other persons giving short weight, adulterating foodstuffs or distributing goods when they are known to be of inferior quality.

Storekeepers and shopkeepers have been accumulating private stocks bit by bit by watering spirits, selling underweight and surreptitiously taking away from a manufactured product some part which they know they can sell privately, for example a valve from a radio set.

VICIOUS CYCLE

They have been selling these private stocks to their goods-hungry fellow citizens. As these operators steal the very goods which are in short supply and thereby increase their scarcity in the State-run shops, the Government is caught in a vicious cycle.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the Polish papers are full of the first sentences under the new law.

Where crimes have no political aspect, sentences are moderate. For example, Leonard Jozosza who posed as a doctor and performed 10 operations in a hospital, received only two and a half years' imprisonment for his knavery.

Admittedly, none of his patients died, but his sentence is light compared with the 10 years passed on the pilfering clerk for starting a private business in beef.—Reuter.

ANOTHER OIL CARGO FROM IRAN

Venice, May 11.

The fourth cargo of Persian oil to be shipped to Italy in defiance of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's legal ban reached Venice today in the Italian tanker EPIM.

The tanker's 5,000 tons of crude oil were brought by Italian Count Ettore Della Scaica's company EPIM.

The oil was being pumped into storage tanks here tonight.

In Rome a spokesman for the British company said he did not know whether legal action against EPIM had already been taken.

Such a step could be in line with the British company's past declarations that it would take whatever action it thought necessary "to safeguard our rights on oil from our concession areas in Persia" after the Persian Government's oil nationalisation. Three Persian oil cargoes arrived in Italy earlier this year.—Reuter.

Begum's Visit To Holland

Amsterdam, May 11.

The Begum Liaquat Ali Khan, widow of the former Pakistan Prime Minister, arrived at Schiphol airport near here today for a week's visit to Holland.

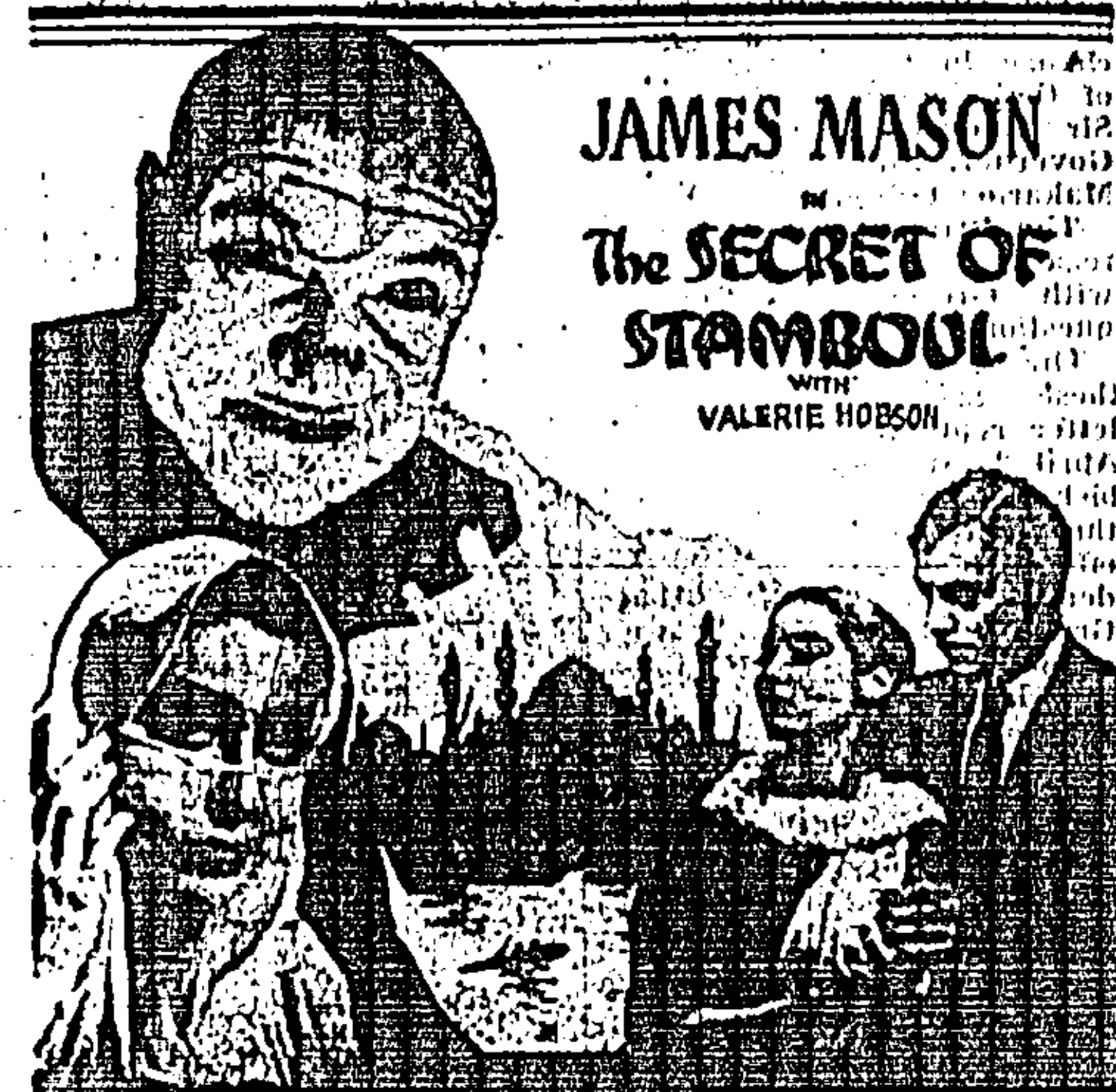
During her stay she will be received by Queen Juliana of the Netherlands and give lectures to Utrecht University, The Hague National Institute for Social Studies and women's organizations.

The Begum had arrived from Britain. She was received by the Pakistan Charge d'Affaires, Mr S. Lal Shah Bokhari.

She told the press on arrival that her visit was purely private but as President of the All-Pakistan Women's Association she hoped to meet many Dutch women.—Reuter.

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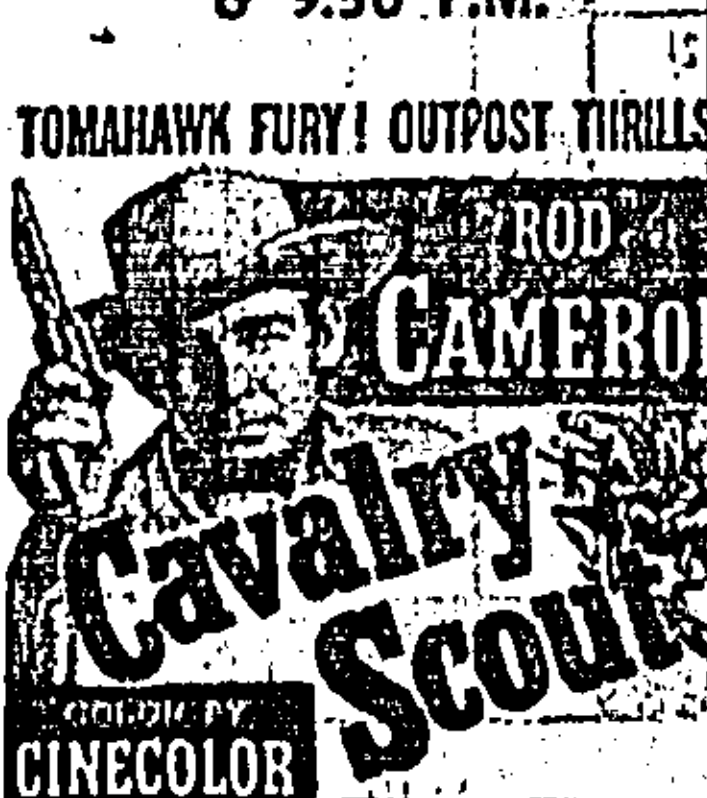
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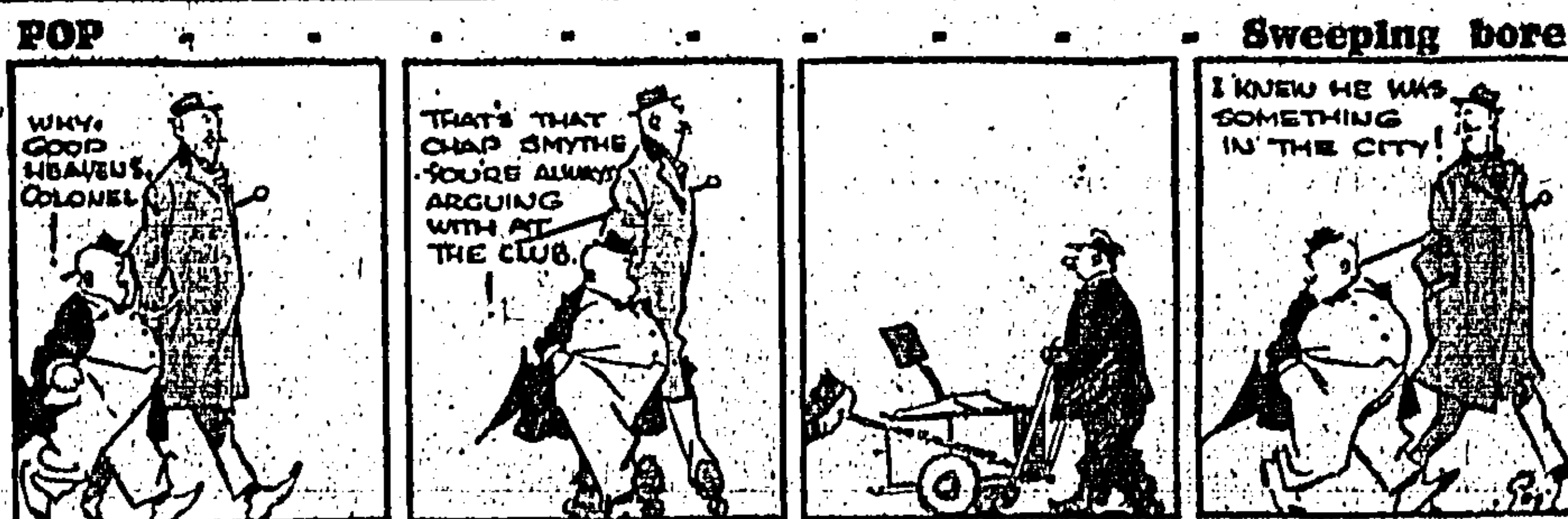
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No Changes Contemplated In Cyprus

Nicosia, May 11. The British Government does not contemplate any change in the sovereignty of the Colony of Cyprus, Sir Andrew Wright, the Governor, told Archbishop Makarios today.

The British Government regards unity of Cyprus with Greece as a closed question, he added.

The Governor made these statements in a letter replying to one of April 27 in which Archbishop Makarios invited the Governor to give effect to Cypriot Greeks' demand for union with Greece or to organise an official plebiscite on the island to determine the wish of the majority of the population.

"I cannot accede to your invitation in either respect," the Governor said.—Reuter.

WILSON'S TALKS WITH RED DELEGATES

Berlin, May 11. Mr. Harold Wilson, former member of the British Labour Government, conferred in East Berlin today with the Chinese Communist trade mission.

He said afterwards he had taken part in general exploratory talks on the whole question of loosening trade restrictions between Communist and non-Communist countries.

Mr. Wilson, who arrived from London last night, is to fly on to Moscow tomorrow for a week's visit to confer on East-West trade generally and on Soviet timber supplies to Britain in particular.

The ex-Minister, still a member of the House of Commons and one of the chief supporters of left-wing Labour leader Aneurin Bevan, has been adviser to a London timber importing firm for the past two years.

He last visited Moscow in 1947 when as President of the Board of Trade he concluded an Anglo-Soviet trade agreement.

The Chinese trade mission has been in East Berlin for over two years.

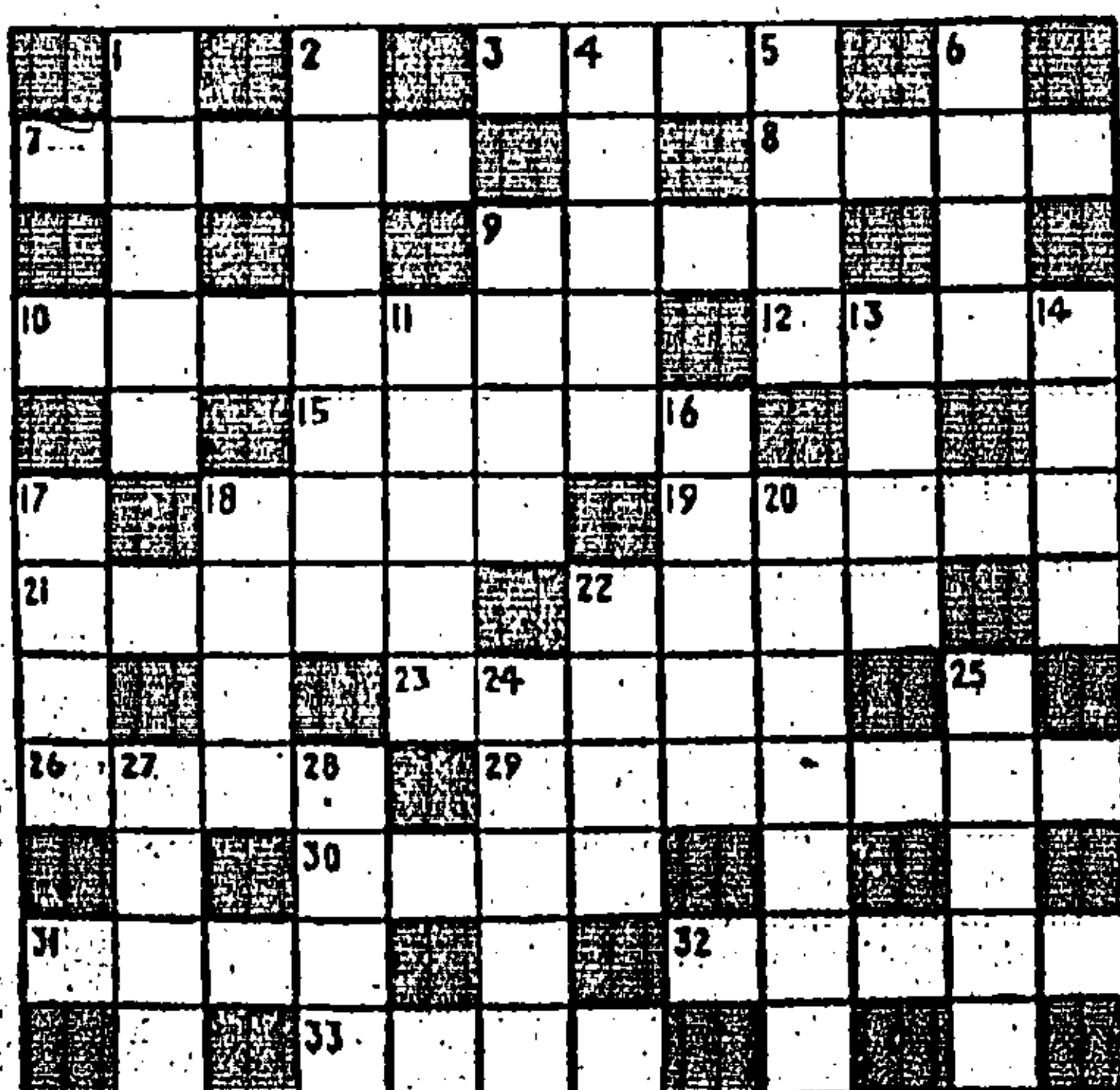
Its task is to arrange trade deals with Britain, Scandinavian and West European countries.

One or two private deals with British representatives were reached following the Moscow economic conference last Spring.—Reuter.

Pope Gives Audience

Vatican City, May 11. Pope Pius XII received the Philippines Foreign Minister, Joaquin Elizalde, in private audience today.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3 Grows old (5).
7 Civic dignitary (5).
8 Rejuvenation (4).
9 Exploit (4).
10 Painting (7).
12 Active (4).
15 Begins (5).
16 Finest (5).
18 Scent (5).
21 Hunt (5).
22 Ran off (4).
23 Claw (5).
26 Uninteresting (4).
28 Coming ashore (7).
30 Fresh (4).
31 Iniquities (4).
32 Comed (4).
33 Loathe (4).

DOWN

1 Capital city (5).
2 Maxims (7).
4 Experienced (5).
5 Collections (4).
6 Scorch (4).
9 Worry (4).
11 Spill (5).
13 Tab (4).
14 Period (4).
16 Drawing-room (5).
17 Biting (4).
18 Sphere (4).
20 Performs (7).
22 Defect (4).
24 Vigilant (5).
25 Fish (5).
27 Loosen (4).
28 Flog (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across.—1 Enigma, 7 Fold, 8 Little, 10 Trade, 11 Cost, 13 Rediscover, 15 Leak, 16 Grip, 19 Reparation, 22 Dear, 24 Sleep, 25 Ample, 28 Apex, 29 Easily, Down.—2 Noted, 3 Gun, 4 Action, 5 Brevity, 6 Laces, 8 Adore, 12 Token, 13 Rigid, 14 Interest, 17 Rate, 18 Sample, 20 Amass, 21 Impel, 23 Eager.

Cambodia Outlines Its Conditions For Relations With France

"Paris Must Honour Agreement"

Paris, May 11. M. San Sary, Cambodian Secretary of State, said in an interview today that his country's future relations with France would depend on how the French honour the agreement promising Cambodian independence.

"It is far too early to compare India's or Pakistan's position in the Commonwealth with our status," he said.

Cambodia, southernmost of the three states of French Indo-China, has been asking for a status comparable to that of the two independent Commonwealth countries.

Last week a communiqué announced that the French had conceded the Cambodians two major points—that the King of Cambodia should be Commander-in-Chief of the Cambodian Army and that Cambodia should be granted "complete jurisdictional competence."

But M. Sary, who helped negotiate this agreement, said that it raised questions on both points.

One major obstacle was the French demand that all citizens of the French Union in Cambodia should have the right to be tried by special courts with French as well as Cambodian judges.

"We agreed that all cases involving only citizens of metropolitan France should be tried by such courts but the French Government demanded that the

concession should also apply to all the citizens of the French Union—that is Tunisians, Moroccans, Vietnamese and Laotians."

WOULD BE SATISFIED

M. Sary said Cambodia would be fully satisfied with the military recognition of the King provided that the French did not hinder the full application of the measure.

"The French officers on the Cambodian General Staff must be fully responsible to their Commander-in-Chief," he said.

The agreement, once ratified by the two governments, would place the King in charge of the troops in 11 instead of three of Cambodia's provinces.

The French would remain in charge in the three provinces considered most open to possible Communist attack.

The Cambodian Government says its army numbers about 15,000.

FEELINGS MOUNTING

"Nationalist feelings are mounting in Cambodia and the French Government continues to demand special privileges for all French Union citizens, the Cambodian Government might be obliged to reconsider the concession of special courts for the citizens from metropolitan France under the impact of popular opposition," M. Sary said.

The present Cambodian Government is far from being ultra-Nationalist or anti-French but its goal is to obtain full independence for the country," M. Sary said.

M. Sary said the French Government's "unilateral" action in devaluing the Indo-Chinese piastre would not help future relations with France.

He said that the French Government had failed to consult the Cambodian Premier, M. Penn Outh, about this step though he was in Paris for the negotiations about a greater measure of independence for his country.

He was faced by an accomplished fact a few hours before his return to Indo-China, M. Sary said.

Devaluation, he added, was an "outright violation" of existing agreements between France and the Indo-Chinese States.—Reuter.

Thai Mission On Visit To Netherlands

The Hague, May 11. A 40-strong Parliamentary mission from Thailand is now in Holland on an informal visit, the Foreign Office announced today.

The statement said the mission was in Holland as part of a tour of West Europe.

Leader of the mission is the Vice-President of the Thai House of Representatives, Phra Rachatharm Nides. The party today visited the Western Embur polder and the famous "Aduidijk" closing the Zuider Zee.

Other items on their programme are a visit to Rotterdam harbour, a reception by both Houses of the Dutch Parliament and a visit to the Peace Palace, which houses the International Court of Justice in the Hague.

The mission will leave Holland on Wednesday.—Reuter.

Religious Art Exhibition

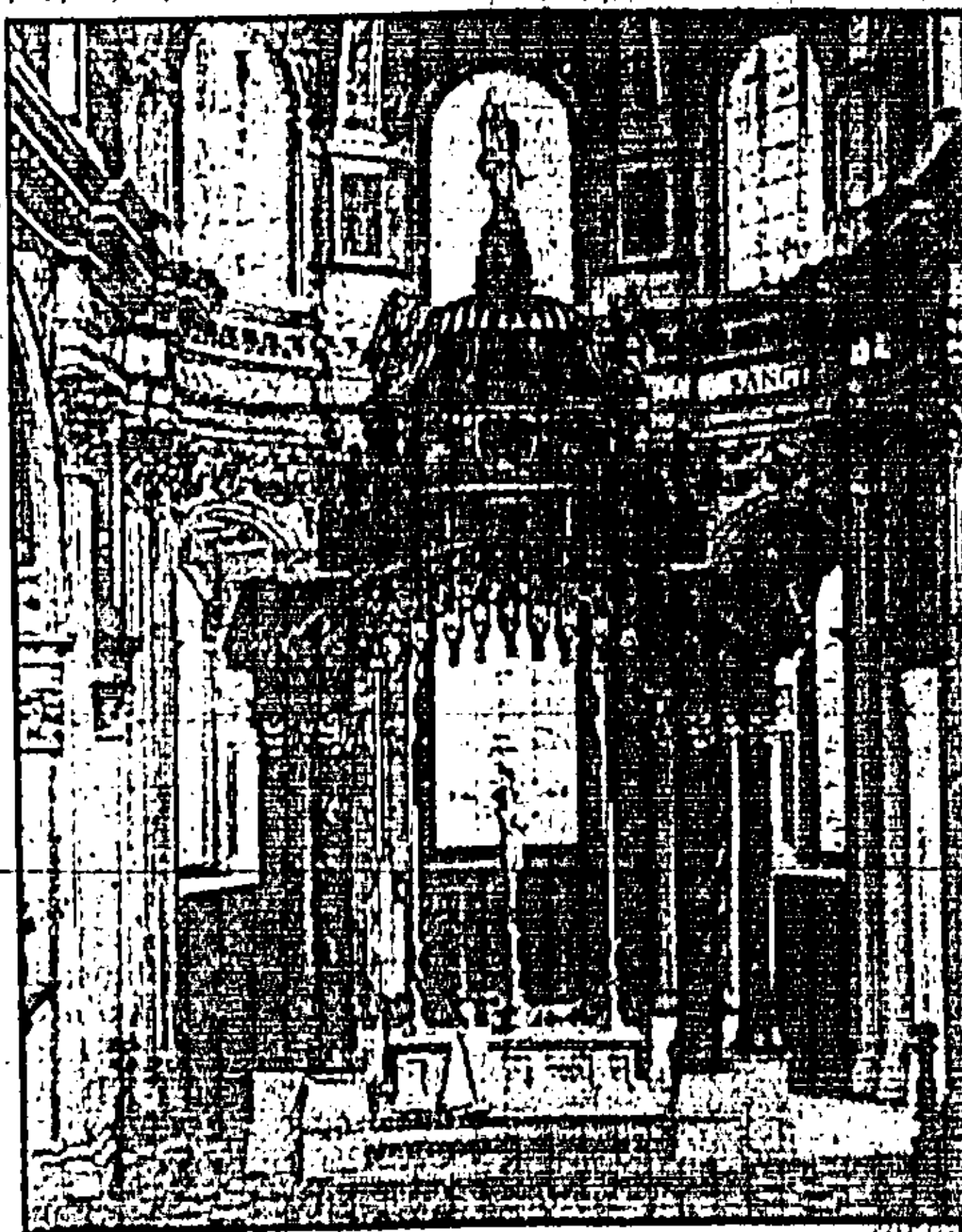
London, May 11. First comprehensive exhibition of religious art to be held in Britain this century opens tomorrow.

Four hundred works from 14 countries will be displayed, ranging from painting, sculpture, stained glass and tapestry to ceramics.

There will be exhibits from Europe, India, United States, Africa and the West Indies.

The exhibition, presented under the title of "The Christian Memoir," is organized by the International Faculty of Arts and has received the approval of Catholic and Protestant Church leaders.—Reuter.

Empire War Memorial



A four-foot high model of the high altar and baldachin to be erected in St Paul's Cathedral as a United Kingdom memorial to the Commonwealth men and women who lost their lives in World War II. It will also commemorate the dead of World War I. The Empire War Memorial Fund Committee, with headquarters in London, has just launched an appeal for £20,000. The memorial will be completed in two years.—Express Picture.

Fund Opened To Provide Altar In St. Paul's

London, May 11. World War II cost Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India and the Colonies a total of 490,768 in Service casualties. For every three United Kingdom casualties, the Commonwealth overseas suffered two.

Twenty-five per cent of the Battle of Britain pilots were volunteers from the Empire. Five thousand of the 20,000 Australians who served in air crews in Britain lost their lives.

Yet, eight years after V-E Day, there is still no memorial in Britain which commemorates all the Commonwealth men and women who gave their lives.

Working—and working hard—to put this right is a small group of men who have just launched a nationwide appeal for the Empire War Memorial Fund. Britons are asked to contribute to a target of £20,000.

And the memorial planned? It is to be a new high altar and baldachin in St Paul's Cathedral. It will be built in the eastern apse, which with the old high altar, was destroyed by a German bomb in October, 1940.

The fund is being raised entirely within the United Kingdom, though contributions from Britons who now live overseas will be welcomed. Once built, in about two years, the altar and baldachin will be dedicated as a memorial to men and women of all races and creeds from the Commonwealth overseas who were killed.

Queen Elizabeth has given her approval and, according to the fund organisers, is wholly in sympathy with the proposal.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Heading the fund committee is Sir Jocelyn Lucas, a Conservative M. P. who, during the war, was chairman of the Overseas League. Welcome Committee and Welfare Liaison Officer from Commonwealth troops.

Work has begun on the memorial, using money raised privately by the committee during the past year. An American Memorial Chapel, funds for which have been raised by another organisation in Britain, is also being built in the eastern apse.

The Commonwealth memorial will actually bring the interior of St Paul's nearer to fulfilling Wren's original conception.

When quarrelled with the Dean and Chapter of St Paul's before he had finished his designs, having planned it "after a good Roman manner...not to follow the Gothic rudeness of the old design," he intended the high altar to be covered by an ornate canopy and to dominate the whole building.

But the Dean and Chapter were bound by tradition and wanted the Cathedral divided in two by a "screen," an encumbrance intended to separate the monks, who worshipped in the choir, from the laity who congregated in the nave.

When Wren found his Cathedral was to be divided up in this way, he lost interest in its altar and canopy, and never completed the design.

THE SAAR QUESTION A "MUST"

Frankfurt, May 11. The right-wing Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung said today that the West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, and the French Prime Minister, Mr. Rene Mayer, will have to discuss the Saar question in Paris, whether they like it or not.

This newspaper said the differences over the Saar threaten to come to a head and would more and more visibly paralyse the vigour of the West.

"It has again become clear during the last few days that the Quai d'Orsay (French Foreign Office) is determined to take advantage of the possession of the Saar."

"Germany has only one chance. She must and she will attain peace, general and her own, if she defends the principles of freedom jointly with others."

"The Federal Republic cannot therefore in the general interest surrender any piece of German land without the latter free will," the newspaper said.—Reuter.

Advisory Group For Burma

Karnachi, May 11. Pakistan is to send a financial advisory mission to Burma at the request of the Burmese Government.

The mission of three or four will be led by Zahid Hussain, Governor of the State Bank of Pakistan. It will leave this month and will remain in Burma a fortnight.—Reuter.

AID TO INDIA ADVOCATE

Washington, May 11. Mr. Chester Bowles, former United States Ambassador to India today urged economic assistance to India "or the danger from Communism will grow."

He was speaking to reporters after a 45-minute conference with President Eisenhower. Assistance was needed mainly, he said, to complete irrigation projects.

India is making economic and political progress but still has a long hard row to hoe, he added.

Mr Bowles has just returned to the United States after serving as envoy in New Delhi during the Truman Administration.

On the trip back Mr Bowles spent six weeks touring South-east Asia and Japan.

He gave Mr Eisenhower "a little report on the situation as we see it" in Asia, but he added, specifying that he was speaking without reference to what he might have told the President, that in Asia generally "I think the military situation against Communism is better today than it was a year ago."

BASIC PROBLEM

But he added that the basic problems are not military—they are economic and political.

He described Asia as a continent "teetering" between Communism and free world democracy, and said it probably would continue to teeter for several years.

India in particular, Mr Bowles said, must have economic and financial help from the United States or the danger of Communism would grow.

India needed \$200,000,000 annually in United States economic help. The nation was present was receiving about US\$50,000,000 annually. India should have about four times that much for the next three years to put the country on a self-supporting basis. Speaking of Asia generally, the various Governments were basically non-Communist.—Reuter.

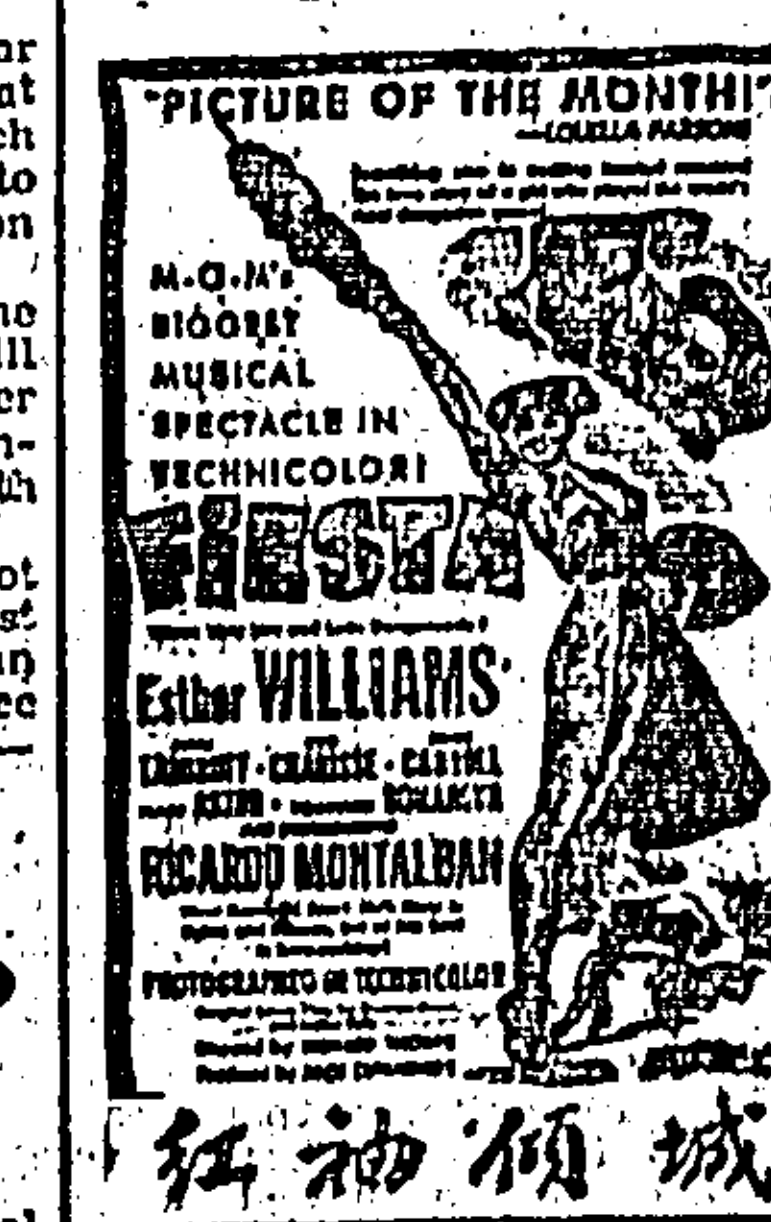
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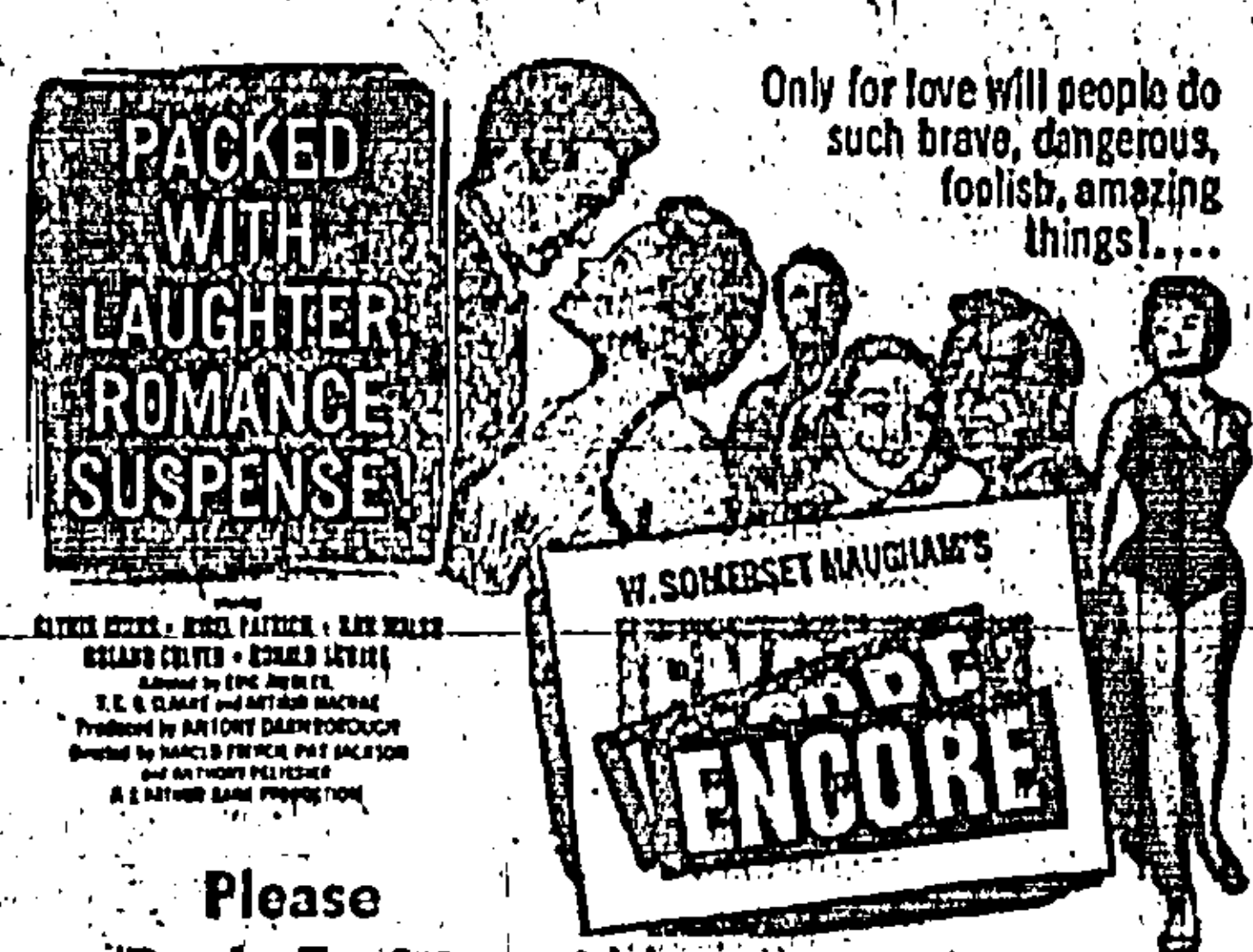
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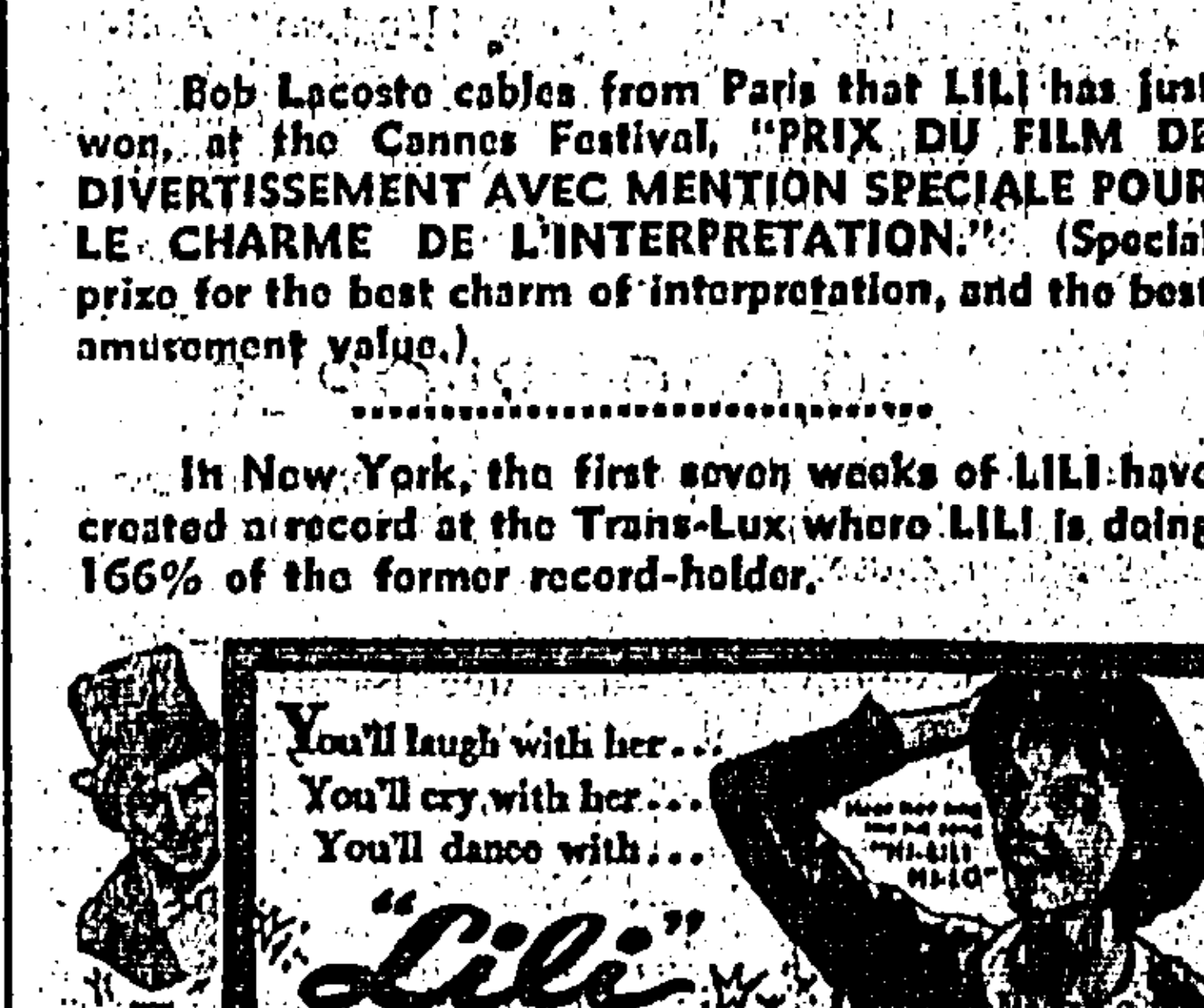
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Lady Grantham

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on C Day
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THE haversack ration for nearly 30,000 Servicemen who will wake up at 5 a.m. to take part in the Coronation Day programme will be—
Cheese (spread) roll ... 1 Portion fruit slab cake ... 1
Meat roll ... 1 Apple ... 1
Bar milk chocolate ... 1 Barley sugar ... 2 ozs.
They will get these haversack rations at 11 a.m. while the Queen is in the Abbey.
They can start eating at 11.20, take 20 minutes over their haversack meal, and there will be another 20 minutes in which the rubbish can be cleared away.

So by noon, half an hour before the nation waits to rejoice in union when the Queen is crowned at 12.30, the troops will be fed and ready for another four or five hours' duty. It is all in the book—the 128-page red-covered book of Army instructions that have been worked out to make Coronation Day as smooth-running as a text-book military operation.

charged for all mess meals, too, whether eaten or not. The cost: 1s. 9d. a day.
There will be nothing mechanised in the Coronation Day processions—as the Army is faced with the problem of looking after 230 horses.
They will be stabled mainly in Hyde Park.
The British horses will need daily 7lb. of oats, 3lb. bran, 10lb. hay, and 5lb. peat for each horse.
But 46 Canadian horses (which the Canadian Mounted Police will ride) seem less partial to bran. They will get only 2lb. a week.
It's all in the book.

Two weeks' pay

THE orders of Field-Marshal The Viscount Alanbrooke, Commanding Coronation Troops, cover everything from the time that 931232 Private Blogg, J., heads for London to the time that he clears up the last of the litter and goes back to barracks. The Coronation Troops will start arriving on the Thursday before Coronation Day and they will all have to be in London by the Sunday, two days before the event. They will all have two weeks' pay before they start.

The time it takes to get 30,000 men settled into London for their first night has been worked out by the War Office on this basis:
SEVENTY men can put up 210 beds in an hour.
TEN men can fill 400 pillboxes with straw in an hour. And the straw is already piled up at the supply depot in Kensington Gardens.

At 8 a.m. with all the troops lined up along the route—the signallers will start testing, and they will keep it up every half hour till 0950.
Then, everybody will watch for the signal from the officer and three men waiting at the Queen Victoria Memorial, opposite Buckingham Palace.

As soon as they spot that the procession is about to start off from the Palace, they will put up a red and white signal disc. The signal will flash to the control station at the Horse Guards.

First man in the procession, Colonel B. J. O. Burrows, will make a move. The Queen Victoria Memorial signallers will hoist a blue and white flag. All the signal stations will hoist blue and white flags. The loudspeakers will broadcast twice. "Procession—MARCH!"
The procession will be on its way ... at 11.20 (of 30.15).
It's all in the book.

There will be no boot repairs or haircut facilities in the Coronation camps—but there will be a tailor to mend slight tears or put a button on.
Officers will not be provided with batmen. They will be

SIXTEEN years ago today the late King George VI was crowned in Westminster Abbey, and among the vast and noble throng present at the ceremony were His Excellency Sir Alexander Grantham, present Governor of Hongkong, and Lady Grantham. In the article below, Lady Grantham describes with a wealth of colourful detail the historic

scene of pomp and beauty. It is a scene that will be repeated with the same magnificence and solemnity on June 2 of this year when the coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second takes place.

We are indebted to Lady Grantham for this vivid description of the most unique event in the history of British monarchy.

The CORONATION

By MAURINE GRANTHAM

who witnessed the historic ceremony sixteen years ago

THIS memorable day, the 12th of May, 1937, did not even begin in an ordinary manner. To be breakfasting at the unusual hour of six o'clock, dressed as if for Court,—Alex in white satin knee-breeches, dark blue coat heavy with gold braid, a jewelled sword at his side, and I in white lace with the three Prince of Wales feathers fastened in my hair,—gave an exotic atmosphere.

Having followed instructions as to the route our car was to take to Westminster Abbey from the house in St. John's Wood where we were staying, we arrived at the Abbey at seven o'clock and were ushered to our seats in the Nave. From that hour until the moment when the last of the procession passed out through the Western door, sometime after two o'clock in the afternoon, there was not a moment when we were conscious of anything except the beauty and grandeur of the scene about us.

Even at the early hour of our arrival, there was a stream of peers and peeresses making their way up the Nave to their seats in the Transept. The peeresses looked patrician and charming with their ermine-trimmed, outspread crimson trains, their tiaras and necklaces flashing in the light, while one caught glimpses of lustrous satins and lames of the gowns beneath their robes. Each carried her coronet which gave a delightful effect. The peers in their ample robes of velvet and ermine made the peeresses look all the more dainty and graceful.

Besides these, of which there seemed to be a never-ending stream, there were other distinguished guests, all richly dressed. We thought particularly handsome the sweeping mantle of the Order of Chivalry of the Star of India in a beautiful shade of azure-blue satin embroidered with the great gold star.

The purples and scarlets of other orders, satin and velvet, gold braid and lace, the uniforms of the Army, Navy and Air Force officers and the lacquer-red robes of the judges, glowed like a rich tapestry, highlighted by the Indian potentates, clad in costly Eastern stuffs of woven threads of gold and silver, their fabulous jewels sparkling in profusion.

ALL these figures were moving in a perfect setting; for how gracefully did the ancient church lend itself to this historic ceremony of high pomp and gemmed magnificence. The stone walls of the Abbey were hung in blue-and-gold brocade, broken only by the finely carved stone and stained-glass windows. On the floor a thick blue carpet made a perfect foil for the colours and fabrics of robes and uniforms and gowns.

This pageant of such scintillating brilliance gave one the feeling of being in an Arabian Nights' fantasy, except that everything had a very real and definite meaning. We realised that each person was there because of his position, and each had his or her certain place. Even the clothes worn meant something—the length of a train or the colour of a mantle—and all these were only the guests or spectators who were to make up the congregation. Finally, all had arrived, and the tiers of seats on either side of the

aisle were filled with this brilliant company. There was a feeling of expectancy that there was to come something more splendid even than the beautiful scene just finished. A short pause—the Western Door was thrown open, and members of the Royal Family who were to be a part of the congregation were escorted to their places. Next followed the Royal representatives and guests; a resplendent procession, with Prince and Princess Chichibu, Princess Juliana, smiling and happy, accompanied by her husband, the Crown Prince and Princesses of Norway, Denmark and Sweden.

THERE were Mr James W. Gerard and the United States Representative, accompanied by General Pershing; there were Indian Princes, Cabinet and ex-Cabinet Ministers in Privy Counsellors' dress, Mr Anthony Eden, Sir Samuel Hoare, Sir John Simon, and the Ambassadors in residence in London.

The congregation was now complete, and there were to come only those who were to have an actual part in the ceremonies.

Again there was an expectant pause, and there came

cessional way—Their Majesties the King and Queen were coming. The gleaming Cross of the Abbey borne before the Dean was followed by the proudly swaying standards of India, South Africa, New Zealand, Canada and Australia, and finally the Knights of the Garter, who were to hold the Canopy over the King at his anointing. Then came Mr Baldwin, Mr MacDonald and the Dominion Prime Ministers, the Archbishop of York, and last the Archbishop of Canterbury, his white satin robe worked all over in gold and silver.

The shout of the Westminster school boys, "Vivat Regina Elizabetha," was heard, and there appeared the Queen's Regalia, followed by the Queen herself. She came with quiet dignity, wearing an exquisitely embroidered white satin gown, magnificent diamond necklace and other jewels, her long train swaying in the hands of six duchesses in diamond-studded white satin.

After another expectant hush again there burst forth the triumphant "Vivat Rex Georgius," and the King's Regalia came in view—then the King, looking very young and slim in his crimson robe of state, his great officers in their shining mantles around him. One felt grateful that they were there, for it seemed

allegiance... and the final fanfare of trumpets and roll of drums and shouts of "God Save the King."

And now the Queen was to be crowned. We imagined, the radiant picture she moved through the well-lighted incalculably beautiful ceremony; as she knelt for her anointing under the golden canopy upheld by the Duchesses of Norfolk, Rutland, Buccleuch and Roxburghe; as, still kneeling, she received the Crown of "Glory, Honour and Joy," as with one exquisite movement of white arms rising out of red velvet, the peeresses put on their coronets; the Sceptre and the Ivory Rod with the Dove being placed in her hands; as moving across the Sacrament she made her obeisance to the King—her ladies doing likewise—and the final picture of the King and Queen crowned and seated on their thrones. There now remained only the service of the Communion, during which, the "Gloria in Excelsis" was sung, and the King and Queen knelt to receive the Benediction.

AFTER a short interval, there was another flourish of trumpets, and the procession passed before us once more. This time, the little Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, wearing their golden crowns, walked hand-in-hand in front of their grandmother, Queen Mary, looking happy, smiling and bowed to right and left. Queen Elizabeth in all her



An interior view of Westminster Abbey, during the Coronation of King George VI, showing homage being paid to the new monarch.

the glittering procession of the Regalia, which was delivered into the keeping of the Lord Great Chamberlain. During this procession the Litany was sung. Soon followed the Princes and Princesses of the Blood Royal: Princess Mary, with the little Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose on either side looking very tiny and serious, their small trains exact counterparts of that of the Princess Royal. Then came the Duchess of Gloucester and the Duchess of Kent, their coronets and trains borne by ladies and gentlemen of the Court, followed by the King's great-aunts and cousins, all likewise attended.

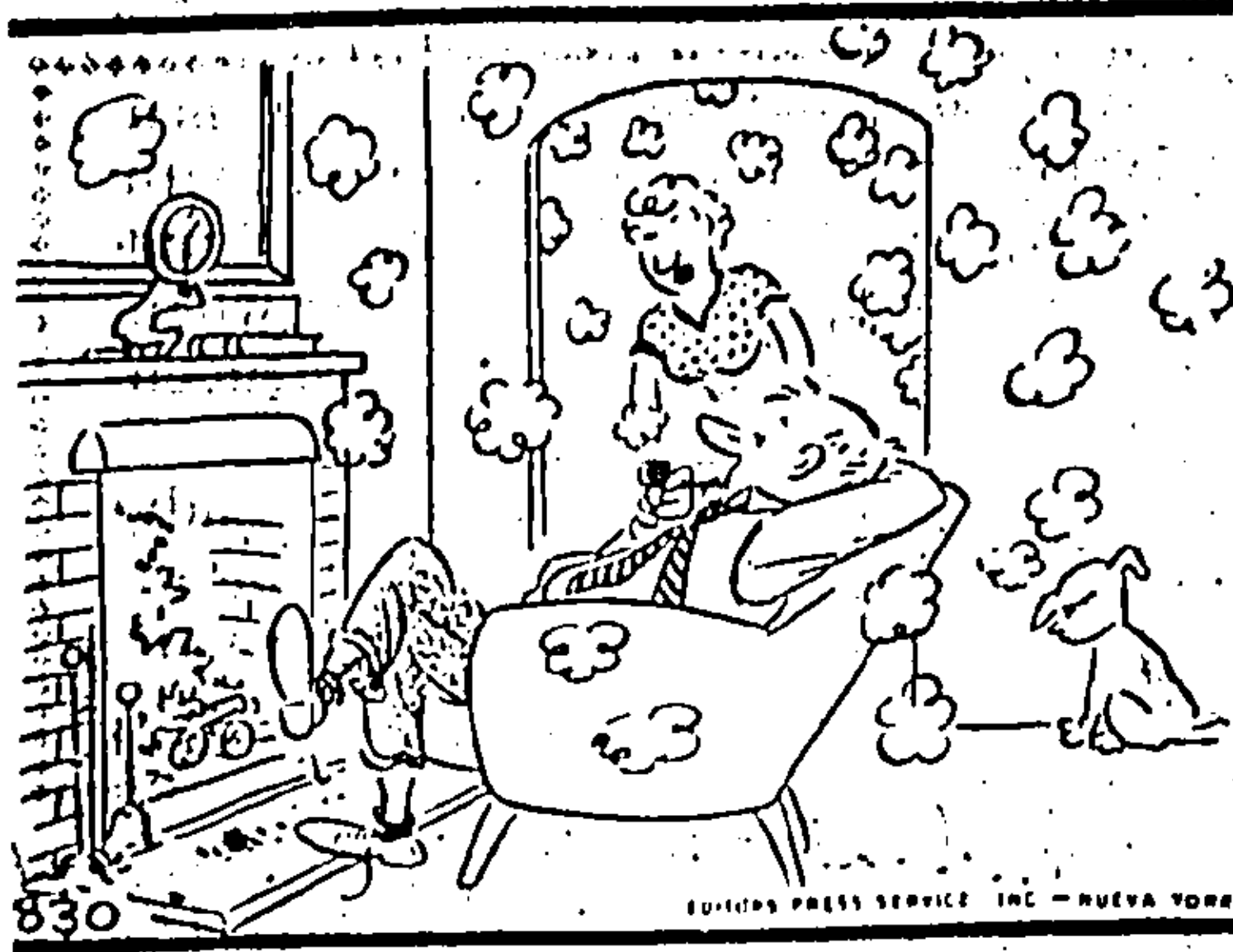
There was another short interval before the entrance of a procession of greater splendour than any that had gone before. Preceded by the Queen of Norway and her retinue came Queen Mary, regal and gracious. She was superb, but with the recollection of the loss she had lately suffered tears of sympathy sprang to the eyes. A fanfare of trumpets sounded throughout the Abbey. We rose to our feet. The daylight from the high windows seemed to brighten as it fell on the golden chandeliers and lighted the centre of the pro-

cession, with her two Bishops—one on either side—preceded and followed by her retinue, smiled at the Westminster boys as their cheers rang out.

Then came the King, and the climax of grandeur was reached. Wearing the Imperial Crown ablaze with precious stones, the Black Prince's ruby, Edward the Confessor's sapphire, the Star of Africa, Cardinal York's sapphire, and the Duke of York's sapphire, and the Orb, his noble bearing, his great purple train borne by a peer and light pages.

As the last figure passed out of sight, I felt the religious awe experienced on awaking from a wonderful dream. I turned to Alex, and our eyes met but no words came. We sat spell-bound. Nothing will ever bound from our minds the memory of the colour and brilliance, the glorious robes, rich fabrics and fabulous jewels, the sculptured, gilded, jewelled windows and the proportions of the medieval church; of the towers and turrets, of the pinnacles and the part which such meaning and dignity on this great and solemn occasion—the coronation of the chain that links together this Empire.

All through the ceremony God's blessing was upon the gathering and protection implored, which surely will not be withheld.



"Now what are you pondering?"

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

I DO not wish to seem carping and ungenerous, but, in our admiration for people who play the piano for 210 hours without stopping, are we not tending to forget that it is the speed at which they play which really matters?

I note that one record-breaker, who has a trainer, nurses, masseurs, and doctors to look after him, makes no mention of speed. What a chance for some young music-lover to challenge Paul Ombus, who played the whole of Wagner's Cycle 14 times from beginning to end in 17 hours and four minutes (Greenwich Mean Time). A veritable tour de force! Was the verdict of the Woburn Conservatoire. That we are a musical nation is proved by the plea for "Rhubarb piano marathons" at Wembley.

Complaints that children will be unable to sleep in a house next to that in which a man is playing non-stop have been met by his promise to play quietly at night. There is no doubt that the piano is a noisy and dusty, for about 3,000 lullabies.

Speed up the concert!

STATISTICIANS have computed that if the average concert were accelerated, there would be time for 10 or 15 items, especially the intervals between the items were abolished. A perfect hurricane of

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Dr Rhubarb's corner

M.P. writes: My daughter brought her fiance home to tea recently. He picked up a piece of haddock and pretended to play it like a flute. Rhubarb laughed. When he had gone, my daughter said: "I was nervous, wasn't I?" Could this be so?

Dr Rhubarb says: Yes. You should all have copied him to put him at ease. Next time he comes, say casually, "Let's all play the haddock."

A scandalous state of affairs

DEMOCRACY received a heavy blow when a number of girls, defeated in a ballot to elect a Carnival Queen, protested against the system of voting. When Miss Supercorn was elected Carnival Queen of Little Wembley and a number of many voting papers were spoiled by such irrelevant comments as "Atta, Rhubarb!" "Up, Queen Minnie!" and "Rock 'em, honey!" One saucy young male voter filled in 1,317 voting-slips under the heading of a love-trick which drew from the mayor the stinging comment: "This is the very antithesis of democracy."

YOUR BIRTHDAY By STELLA

TUESDAY, MAY 12

BORN today, you have tremendous new powers and know how to plan things on a large scale. You are mainly the intellectual who must have a problem that utilizes both concentration and mental judgment. Otherwise, you will become bored with life and can never be happy. Don't attempt to be content in a profession that calls only for muscular work.

You have a great deal of nervous energy but it runs by fits and starts. In other words, you will work at high speed for a time and then slack off. Train yourself to finish the job you are leaving in the middle and go on to something else, and you will avoid the ultimate disappointment, if not disaster.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

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CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Select a few cheerful friends and plan to relax this evening in their company. It will do you good.

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Player Exhibits Skill At Tourney

BY OSWALD JACOBY

THE severest test of a player's skill usually comes when he is playing a hand at a trump contract and must decide exactly how many rounds of trumps to draw and exactly what order is required for the playing of his tricks. Today's hand, taken from last year's European Championship, illustrates this kind of difficulty.

In both rooms of the match between Austria and England, the final contract was six spades, and West's opening lead was the ten of clubs. Both declarers won the first trick with the king of clubs and immediately

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| 2 ♠ | Pass | 4 ♠ |
| 3 ♠ | Pass | Pass |
| 4 ♠ | Pass | Pass |
| Opening lead—♣ 10 | | |

washed the king of hearts. From this point on, however, the play in the two rooms varied.

The Austrian declarer continued by taking the ace and king of trumps, after which he discarded his losing diamond on dummy's ace of hearts. Now he entered his hand with a third trump in order to ruff a low club in dummy.

Since the club suit broke badly, declarer's hand was not established by this time. He lost control of the hand and was set two tricks.

In the other room, the English declarer planned the hand better. After taking the second trick with the king of hearts, he drew only one round of trumps with dummy's king in order to cash the ace of hearts and discard his losing diamond.

He then returned to his hand with the ace of trumps and ruffed a low club in dummy. Since only two rounds of trumps had been drawn, dummy still had a trump left.

The English declarer led this last trump to his own queen, cashed the ace of clubs, and gave up one club trick to West. He could then claim the rest of the tricks with his last trump and the rest of the clubs.

HEARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:

South West North East
1 Diamond Pass 1 Heart Pass

You, South, hold: Spades A-Q-J-9, Hearts K-J-4, Diamonds A-K-Q-7-5, Club 2. What do you do?

A—Bid two spades. This jump bid is forcing to game, whereas a rebid of only one spade would be passed by your partner. You want to insist on a game contract in one of your three strong suits.

TODAY'S QUESTION

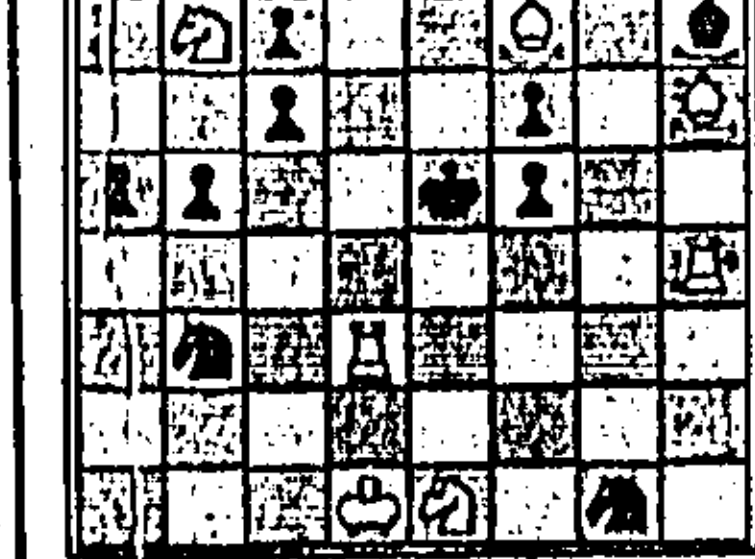
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-Q-9, Hearts 7-3, Diamonds A-K-Q-7, Clubs A-K-J-8. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CHESS PROBLEM

By L. VALVE

Black, 13 pieces.



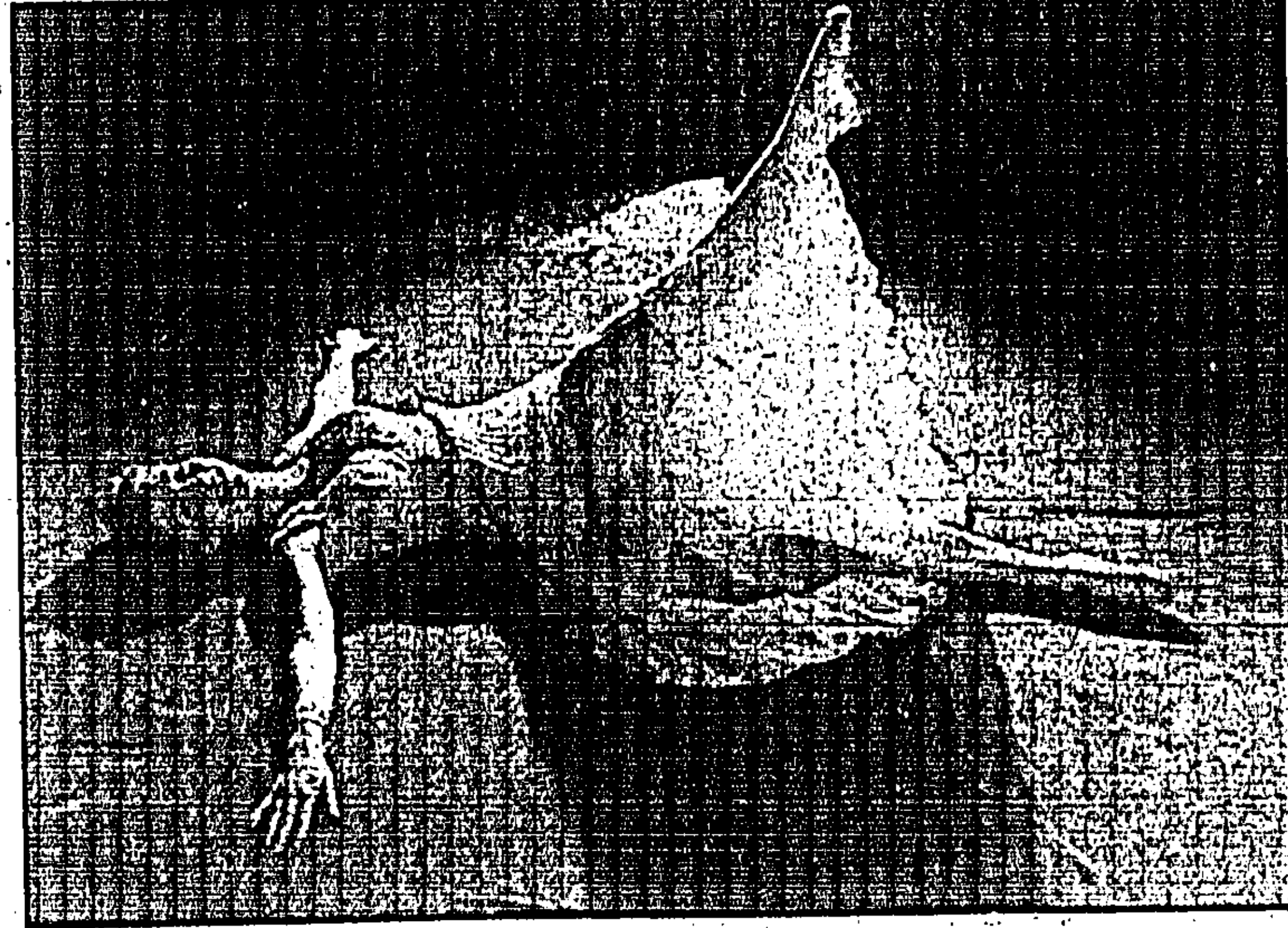
White, 8 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. KxP, any; 2. Q, R, or B mates.

WOMANSENSE



"Oh what a beautiful morning!" carols Yvonne, as she stretches drowsy limbs and keeps thigh muscle in trim.

MAY BASKET PIE IS A TEMPTER

"REGARD this menu!" exclaimed the Chef. "This is my considered opinion that the pie was worth the sacrifice!"

Tomorrow's Dinner

Grapefruit Juice
Corned Beef Ring
Mixed Vegetables
Creamed Noodles
Tossed Salad Greens
May Basket Pie

Coffee Tea Milk
All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve Four

Corned Beef Ring

Through the food chopper put 1 small peeled onion and enough odds of corned beef (or tinned corned beef) to make 3 c. Melt 3 tbs. margarine or fat; in it fry 1 c. soft enriched bread crumbs. Add the corned beef, 2 beaten eggs, 1/4 tomato ketchup, 2 tbs. prepared horseradish, 1 tbs. table mustard and 1 c. tomato juice. Pack into a 3-pt. oiled ring or border mould, and bake 45 min. in a moderate oven, 350-375° F. Unmould on a large platter. Fill the centre with creamed

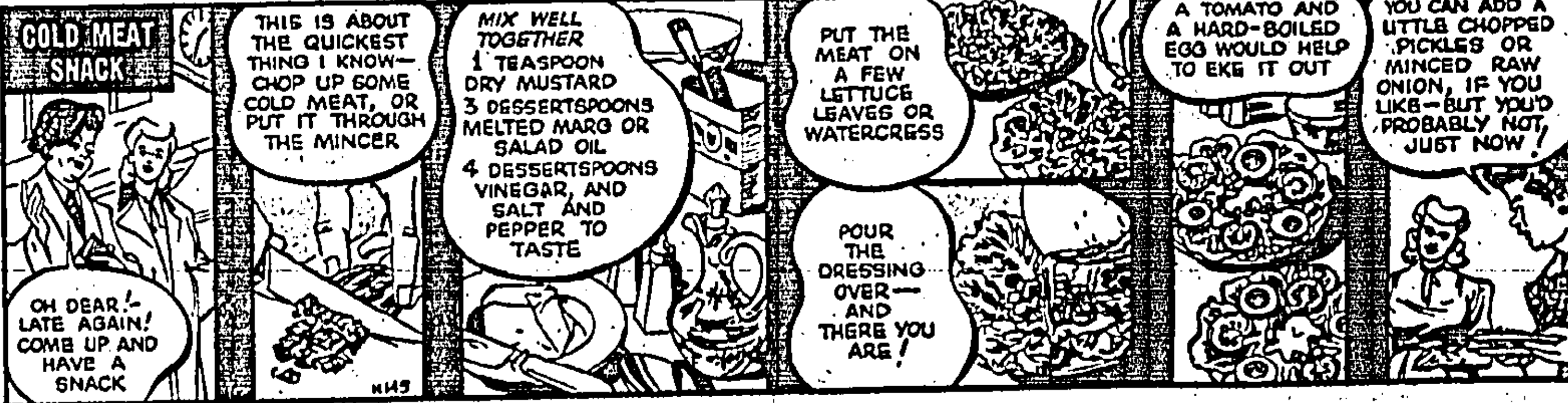
high-protein noodles and border with sautéed leftover mixed vegetables, or use tinned or frozen mixed vegetables.

Line a 9-in. pie plate with American pie pastry. Dust with 1 tsp. fine dry crumbs and press in. Spoon in May Basket Filling; top with a lattice-work of pastry, and brush them and the crust at the edge with beaten egg yolk, then dust with sugar. Bake 35 min. at 400° F.

May Basket Filling: Heat 1 1/4 c. mixed cherry and pineapple juice. Add 2 1/4 tbs. cornstarch mixed with 2 tbs. orange juice, 1/2 c. sugar, 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. butter or margarine. Stir and cook until boiling. Then add 1 1/4 c. each tinned pineapple chunks and stoned tinned red cherries. Cool and use as directed.

Trick Of The Chef

To (10-oz.) tin of grapefruit juice add 4 heaping teaspoons orange concentrate and mix well.



BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

What Made O'Scowl So Happy?

—He Usually Goes Around Looking Very Grumpy!

By MAX TRELL

NOW, no one had ever seen Pixie O'Scowl with a smile on his face. And the reason was very simple. Pixie O'Scowl never found anything to smile about. He much preferred going around with a grumpy look on his face and saying "Aw-poo!"

So Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turn of about names, could hardly believe their own eyes when they met Pixie O'Scowl coming up from the Old Oak, whistling and humming and nodding his head good morning—and, above all, with the broadest, friendliest, happiest smile on his face they had ever seen!

Nodded Good Morning

"It can't be Pixie O'Scowl!" Hanid said when Pixie O'Scowl had nodded good morning to

over that. Its blossom almost rested on the ground.

Just Curiosity

"O'Scowl walked over to have a closer look at it. Not that he felt at all sorry for it—oh no! It was just curiosity. "Aw-poo!" he grumbled when he looked at it. "I don't know why I should be bothered with this bent-over thing clover. It doesn't mean a thing to me. There are millions and millions of other clovers. I'd just be wasting my time if I went to the trouble of straightening it up."

"So he walked away, then he walked back again, and finally he got a twig with a forked tip and propped up the bent-over clover. "There," he said, "now the use of it? I'm wasting my time."

"And at that instant a bumblebee came buzzing straight to the clover. "Aw-poo!," I mean, hey, what are you wanting with that clover?" he asked the bee.

WAKE UP—AND LIVE!

WHAT keeps the stars young... Anna Neagle dancing romantic roles at 44; Cleely Courtneidge doing handstands at 60?

Their secret is to keep their bodies young by using every muscle and limb the way a child does.

So come along... with our Exercise Girl, Yvonne March—who is appearing in the new film "Street Corner"—to show you how.

Relax flat on your back with arms outstretched. Now left leg over right to a 2 o'clock angle. Raise it in a semi-circle till it's at 10 o'clock. Legs together again; repeat several times before changing sides. Be careful to keep shoulders square on the ground.



ON LEFT: The Bo-bo bounce... for taking inches off your profile view! Sit erect with knees bent; hands to sides. Bounce really hard up and down, taking weight on to hands and moving forward as you do it.

CENTRE: Ankle—slimmer Number One... try it anywhere—in the bus. Just firm circles with the foot, working the ankle joint.

ON RIGHT: Legs straight (no bent knees), head right down, arms relaxed. Then touch the floor three times between feet, three times with hands outside left ankle, three outside right ankle, then rest, upright. Repeat ten times.

(More Tomorrow)

Household Hints

Reused wool, used in garments, comes from rags and miscellaneous discarded clothing. These fabrics are thoroughly cleaned and sterilised, however, before they are shredded into fibres and blended with new wool.

Before storing indelible plastic toys, wash well in suds and water, dry thoroughly and sprinkle with talcum powder to prevent sticking or tearing. Store in a cool, dark and dry place.

New Cape Interest



By VERA WINSTON

THE ensemble is having itself a time and is slated for a busy season, what with the dress and jacket appearing in every fabric, for every occasion, at every price level. This one is something radically new in silhouette and treatment. The dress itself is a simple half-sleeved design of navy gabardine, with plain round neck and a brace of flapped pockets on the skirt serving as the sole relief. All the interest is centred in the cape which is as short as a brief bolero in front, where it has a three button closing and cascades down to full length in back, showing off the matching taffeta with which it is lined throughout.

Go Easy On That Sun Tan

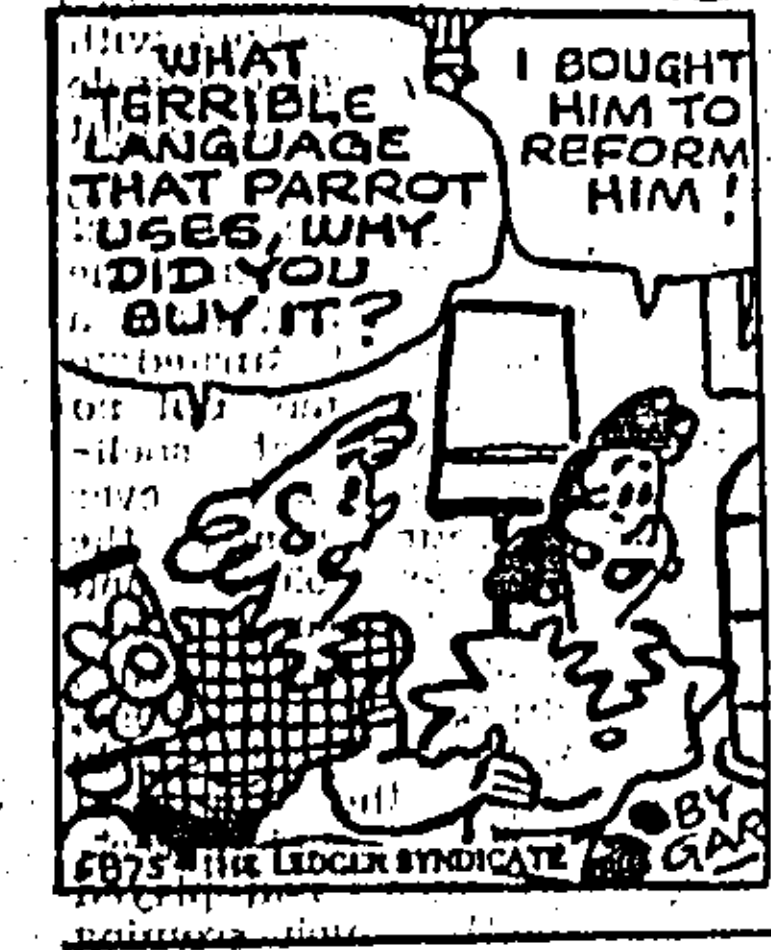
This Summer

Chapel Hill, N. C. Sunlight may give you a tan that makes you appear to be healthy, but it increases your chances of getting skin cancer, according to Dr. Herbert Z. Lund, visiting professor of pathology at the University of North Carolina.

Dr. Lund explained to a scientific meeting here that skin cancer is more common in the South than in the North and more common in the warmer parts of the world than in the colder parts.

In discussing the changes that take place in the skin of people exposed to sunlight over long periods, Dr. Lund said that blotches, fine wrinkling and an "aged" look are preliminary changes that could develop into skin cancer.—United Press.

DUMB-BELLS



WHAT TERRIBLE LANGUAGE THAT PARROT SPEAKS! DID YOU BUY IT?

WHAT'S HIS LINE? MARK TOOLE

Change the letters to spell the occupation.

(Solution on Page 10)

LESSON FROM PENG-SOON — TAKE YOUR TIME IN SWATTING THE SHUTTLE

By "ARGONAUT"

The unofficial World Badminton Champion, Wong Peng-soon, and his Malayan teammates, Cheong Hock-leng and Charlie Seow and manager Mr Kung Soon-heng left for Bangkok this morning for a series of exhibition matches there after completing another highly successful visit to Hongkong with a charity match at St Teresa's Church Hall yesterday.

Highlight of yesterday's games was the one-set match between Wong and Cheong which resulted in another win for the shuttle wizard, this time by 15-8.

Cheong was in much better physical condition than in his previous two games in Hongkong against Wong, and took the best out of the Champion with his powerful smashes and forceful play before being overpowered.

Cheong led by 3-1 in the initial stages when he took through Wong's famed defence with tremendous sideline smashes.

Wong, however, gradually wrested the initiative, scoring six points in a row, and went on to lead by 6-5, and 9-6.

Exhibiting another aspect of the game, Wong went into fast offensive play time and again, scoring with crisp half-court smashes to forge ahead to 12-7 and 15-8.

GAME FIGHT

In the other one-set Singles match of the evening, Malacca Champion Charlie Seow had the better of J. A. Soares by 15-10.

Soares put up a game fight against the tricky Malayan shuttler and, although trailing behind by 1-4, caught up to 5-5 and took an 8-6 lead towards the middle of the set.

Seow drew level to 8-8 on his next service, catching Soares repeatedly with his drive services, and raced ahead to 13-10 and set at 15-10.

The Men's Doubles match in which the two Malayan players, Charlie Seow and Cheong Hock-leng, were opposed to Wong Peng-soon and St Teresa's Johnny Pomeroy Jr., saw the

All-Malayan pair too strong for the side-by-side pairing of Wong and Pomeroy.

After losing the first set by 2-15, Wong and Pomeroy put sterner resistance in the second set when they resorted to a front and back combination, but could not stop their opponents from breaking through a 12-12 deadlock to set and match at 15-12.

At the conclusion of yet another successful tour by Wong and his Malayan teammates a few comments may not be out of place. The series of games just concluded brought out the pleasant fact that there has been a tremendous increase in the badminton following in the last few months in Hongkong as evidenced by the good crowds present, especially at the matches in the Southern Playground Stadium.

The Hongkong Badminton Association must be congratulated for its initiative in grasping the opportunity of arranging these matches at extremely very short notice.

There is no doubt that there have been shortcomings in the arrangements and organisation of these matches in view of the very short time given and the handicap of a lack of a paid staff. That the Association has braved criticism in this respect to achieve the more important

object of promoting the shuttle game is worthy of high praise.

IMPORTANT FEATURE

Much has been learnt from the display given, especially by Wong Peng-soon, but there is one very important and instructive feature of his game which is hardly noticed by spectators and only observed by those who play against him.

The perfect footwork and execution of strokes are all evident, but the all-important point in Wong's ability to control the game is the interest of all his strokes, particularly anywhere forward from the half-court.

This ability to take the shot very late gives him all the time to get to the shuttle and to concentrate on making each stroke an accurate one.

Although the strokes are made late, the shuttle travels over the net with tremendous speed and this ability to impart this high speed with the racket barely lingers away from the shuttle before the moment of impact constantly puts his opponent in an awkward position even though it does not score a point directly.

The shuttle gets past his opponent before he realises it and more often than not the return will be a weak and defensive one. This art of hitting the bird is one that should be acquired by aspiring players.

The Cup Final In Pictures



Bolton's first goal against Blackpool in the Cup Final at Wembley, Farm, the Blackpool goalkeeper, watches the ball enter the net after he had unsuccessfully dived to try to stop Lofthouse's shot which gave Bolton their first goal.



Bolton's second goal, scored by their captain, Moir (on ground), with Farm, the Blackpool goalkeeper, also bowled over.



Stan Mortensen beats Hanson, the Bolton goalie, to score Blackpool's second goal, making it 2-3.



Harry Johnston, the Bolton captain, and Stanley Matthews being chaired by their teammates after Bolton had won the FA Cup.—Central Press Photo.

Will Bannister Be The First To Run A Four-Minute Mile?

London, May 11

Roger Bannister, fastest British miler of all time, has again raised the hopes of track experts that he will be the first athlete to reach the elusive four-minute mile.

The recent record-breaking run by the sandy-haired, 24-year-old medical student when he shattered the 10-year-old mile mark of Britain's former star, Syd Wooderson, is one of the main reasons for this renewed outburst of enthusiasm on the part of the experts.

On the Iffley Road track at Oxford, which is anything but sheltered from any prevailing winds, Bannister was clocked at 4 mins. 3.8 secs., beating Wooderson's British record of 4 mins. 4.6 secs. and also his faster timing of 4 mins. 4.2 secs. made in Gothenburg, Sweden, in 1945.

After the race Bannister said, "I aimed at doing 4:0. To achieve a mile run around four minutes, I would need to run a much faster first half than at Oxford."

The star miler took 2:4.4 over the first 800 yards, compared with 1:59.2 over the second half. "This time, however, has given me new confidence," Bannister said.

Big things were expected of Bannister in the Helsinki Olympics, but he could only place fourth behind Luxembourg's Joseph Barthel in the 1,500 Metres final. In consequence, some trackmen believed that the British star was either overrated or had used the wrong training methods.

The second belief was probably correct if Bannister's recent effort at Oxford can be taken as a guide. This fast run was the result of intensive and determined training, and Bannister is trying to work out a programme similar to that of the famous Swede, Gundar Haegg.

Instead of confining his training to two or three nights a week, Bannister is now out on the track five nights and does not spare himself. This was illustrated by one evening's work. He made eight 300-yard sprints with only a brief rest in between.

In other words, the sandy-haired star no longer "nurses" himself but trains with a strong intensity.

Although many experts have faith in Bannister's ability to achieve the four-minute mile, they agree that it will only be

JACK IKIN A DOUBTFUL STARTER

London, May 12

Jack Ikin, left-handed batsman, suffered a recurrence of his old back trouble yesterday.

He retired hurt in Lancashire's innings against Warwickshire at Old Trafford.

Ikin has been troubled by persistent muscular strain in the back in recent seasons. It has caused his withdrawal from several Test matches.

Ikin, who is due to take his benefit at the end of this month, has been regarded as a notable partner for Hutton in opening England's innings against Australia in this season's Tests. — Reuters.

Surrey Lose By An Innings And 76 Runs

London, May 11

Australia's touring cricketers today humbled Surrey, English county champions, whom they defeated by an innings and 76 runs in little more than nine hours.

After scoring 256 in reply to Surrey's 58, the Australians dismissed Surrey for 122 in the second innings, the opening batsman, Dave Fletcher, staying three hours for 61.

By their easy victories over Surrey and Yorkshire, the Australian team, which is not considered to be as strong as that of 1948, has dispensed the optimistic feeling that English county cricket had improved in recent years.

Peter May, the only probable Test batsman in Surrey's side, batted an unhappy 38 minutes for a single, being beaten time and again by Archer and Lindwall.

Lindwall reached his fastest pace during two long spells and tried one or two bumpers. He beat the batsmen by speed and swing in taking two for 29.

Ron Archer, who made several good deliveries, rose from good length, took five for 36 and finished the match with 11 for 61.

THE SCORES
Surrey 1st Innings: 58
Australia 1st Innings: 256
Surrey 2nd Innings: 122
Australia 2nd Innings: 122
Total: 436

Bowling Analysis
Archer: 11-61
Lindwall: 11-29
May: 38-1
Fletcher: 3-61
Total: 11-122

BRIDGE TOURNEY
The Underland Bridge Association beat the London Bridge Association in the 1952-53 season's match.

Players for the Underland were: R. F. G. and C. H. G. and for the London Bridge Association: R. F. G. and C. H. G.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES
London, May 11

Empire Heavyweight Championship Fight Tonight By DEREK JOHN

Tonight for the second time in 14 months the Heavyweight Championship of the British Empire is at stake. Holder Johnny Williams of Rugby meets Don Cockell of Battersea over 15 rounds at Harringay Arena, London.

Cockell, former Lightweight Champion of Great Britain, was forced to move into the heavyweight division because of organic trouble which caused everything he ate to turn to fat.

The question which now has to be answered is whether this step-up has affected his ability. Can Cockell now hit and move proportionately to his weight increase? If he can, then tonight's fight may be unusually interesting.

SPEEDED UP
As a cruiser, Cockell beat Williams on points over eight rounds in 1948. Williams since

then has speeded up and improved his boxing considerably. But he can still be hit as Heinz Nehaus, the German and European Champion, proved earlier this year, when with one single blow, he turned apparent defeat into surprising victory.

If Williams himself possessed such a k.o. punch he would undoubtedly be in a strong position to challenge. Marciano of the

United States for the world title. But although he has won nearly 50 professional contests, Williams has produced the knockout on only ten occasions.

Cockell, if he is to become the Empire Heavyweight Champion, must go in for a quick "kill". If he can catch Williams early on with one of his thunderous lefts or rights the Rugby boy can be shaken out of his usual cool style. But if Cockell attempts to wait for his opportunity then he is likely to go on a waiting indefinitely.

Williams is much too smart to attempt to mix it. He knows that, providing he stays out of harm's way, his immaculate left will bring him an sufficient points to gain the verdict.

(London Express Service)

Exiled Athletes Out Of Luck

Strasbourg, May 11

The Council of Europe today admitted they could do nothing about lifting the ban on exiled sportsmen taking part in the Olympic Games.

The Council's Consultative Assembly last May asked one of its special committees to see what it could do about removing the ban.

But the Committee's Chairman, Major Tuffon Deamish, a British Conservative, reported back today that, because of the Olympic rules, it was impossible to help the refugees.

Mr Otto Mayer, head of the International Olympic Committee, had maintained that only recognised Olympic competitors could enter competitors in the Games, and that these competitors must be nationals of their respective countries.

Exiled sportsmen could not comply with these rules and the Olympic Committee could not change them.

Aureole Well Backed At Derby Callover

London, May 11

The Queen's Derby hope, Aureole, became a clear second favourite for the Epsom classic after being backed to win £10,000 at tonight's Victoria Club callover.

Aureole, who is expected to run in the Derby Trial Stakes at Lingfield next Friday, closed a 9-1 chance. At the last callover he was 100-0.

The favourite, Nearula, was backed to win £15,000 at 100-0 and finished at those odds. Support for Empire Honey, whom Aureole displaced as second favourite, continued and he closed at 10 to one, half a point shorter than his last quotation.

PRICES QUOTED

Prices at the end of the session

100-0 Nearula;
0-1 Aureole;
10-1 Empire Honey;
100-0 Good Handy;
100-0 Stratton, Shikampur and Prince Consort;
25-1 King of The Tudors;
33-1 Novarullah, Mountain King, Panda, Cyrus the Great and Cobalt II;
40-1 Victory Roll and Janitor;
60-1 Queen's Prince.

CCC Bowls Team

The following will represent the Cravenge Cricket Club in a 3rd Division league match against the Hongkong Electric Recreation Club to-morrow at 9.15 p.m. at the CCC.

C. C. Ma, J. K. Poyl, A. Y. Spack, S. Leonard, (capt), P. Mangan, A. H. H. Castro, M. J. Mangan, R. O. Baker, (capt), J. Y. Doe, T. Leonard, D. H. H. P. R. Lee (capt).

IF IT HAD ONLY BEEN A COOLER WEEK-END FOR COBURN, WALLER & CO...

By "RECORDER"

Twenty-nine improvements in best performances were registered during two very warm afternoons of athletics at Kai Tak over the week-end and it is safe to say that in the running events fractions of seconds could have been taken off the shorter run performances and several seconds off the longer ones had it not been so warm and stifling.

The field events people—barring the long and hop, step jumpers—seemed to thrive on the heat and humidity and the shot and javelin lists have been almost completely revised.

Rita Hall's new 220 Yards mark of 23.0 seconds under what was a complete half-circle for most of the way was the most remarkable performance of all. The circling was as bad as it is at Boundary Street where the best time after two years of competition is Lam Kak-lan's 29.5 seconds. Yet on Sunday five girls beat 29.3 seconds.

Rita ran 2 feet 3 inches too far and her time for 200 Metres must have been 27.8 or even 27.7 seconds. As the 220 Yards is a longer distance than 200 Metres, her 28.0 mark will be ratified, also as a new Colony record for 200 Metres, displacing Lam Kak-lan's 28.1 seconds.

It would be interesting to know what her time was over the last 100 Metres. It could well have been 12.5 seconds or faster.

A certain amount of criticism is levelled occasionally at track managers for being as much as five feet on the safe side, but quite a few world record performances have never reached the record lists for the fact that the error was a few inches the other way. It is always best to be on the safe side.

REMARKABLE

Another remarkable performance was that of Frank Waller in the Mile. Frank became the first schoolboy in Hong-kong's history to beat five minutes for the distance in competition (he had done it previously in practice) and his 4:56.3 could have been 4:45.0 in more reasonable weather. Derek Coburn's 2:07.6 and 4:46.6 in the Half Mile and Mile were worth about 2:44.5 and 4:36.0 and he had plenty in reserve. Waller in Sunday's Mile could have been faster than he was but he accepted advice not to try to keep up with Coburn on the run-in to the tape.

Even without the challenge of Coburn and Cope, the one-two-three effort of Chan King-yin, Fung Ping-kai and Lee Kam-hung in the Three Miles was a great achievement.

They beat Cpl. Harding, one of the best distance runners in the Colony today, who had misjudged the pace and finished full of running in fourth place, sprinting the last 100 yards.

For the Chinese boys it was triumph indeed and well deserved. They had spent as many months as Frank Waller trailing the field and were well up with a field which included at least two experienced race walkers.

One not well known but very noteworthy fact is that Mr. Kennedy-Skipkin has contributed more to Jennifer Hart's progress in the High Jump than any other coach who has advised her.

Last year, Mr. Kennedy-Skipkin tried to teach Jennifer the straddle. To do that he had to master the technique himself. He taught himself the straddle and cleared 4 feet 11 inches with it—a great performance in the fifth, but Jennifer couldn't master the technique and remains an Eastern cut-off specialist.

However, it may be just as well that Jennifer couldn't learn to twist herself over the bar face downwards as a very remarkable picture of her clearing 4 foot 11 inches taken by an amateur photographer shows a cut-off kick upwards that many a famed ballerina would be proud of.

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The Olympic Champion, Esther Brand of South Africa, uses the same technique and wasn't as high up as Jennifer at 14 though she had already cleared 4 foot 10 inches at the age of 12 to win the Western Province Championship.

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Best Performances By Hongkong Athletes This Season

The revised list of best performances by Hongkong athletes this season following the week-end's two meets at Kai Tak is tabulated here.

The sprint lists have been revised, marks credited to sprinters who were timed by time-keepers other than those of the HKAAA panel being deleted except in cases where other performances by the same men suggest that they could have been as fast.

The lists follow:

| 100 YARDS | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 9.9 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 10.3 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 10.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 10.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 10.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 10.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 10.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 10.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 10.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 10.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 10.4 |

| 100 METRES | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 10.8 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 11.2 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 11.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 11.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 11.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 11.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 11.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 11.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 11.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 11.2 |

| 200 METRES | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 22.5 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 23.2 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 23.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 23.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 23.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 23.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 23.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 23.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 23.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 23.2 |

| 400 METRES | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 53.0 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 53.9 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 54.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.3 |

| 800 METRES | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 2:05.5 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 2:06.3 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 2:06.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:06.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:06.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:06.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:06.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:06.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:06.3 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:06.3 |

| 1,500 METRES | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 4:22.2 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 4:24.8 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 4:24.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:24.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:24.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:24.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:24.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:24.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:24.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:24.8 |

| ONE MILE | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 4:37.4 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 4:37.4 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 4:37.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:37.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:37.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:37.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:37.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:37.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:37.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:37.4 |

| THREE MILES | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 13:40.0 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 13:40.0 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 13:40.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:40.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:40.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:40.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:40.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:40.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:40.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:40.0 |

| 5,000 METRES | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 16:50.5 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 16:50.5 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 16:50.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 16:50.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 16:50.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 16:50.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 16:50.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 16:50.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 16:50.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 16:50.5 |

| 10 YARDS HURDLES | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 1:19.5 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 1:19.5 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 1:19.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 1:19.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 1:19.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 1:19.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 1:19.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 1:19.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 1:19.5 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 1:19.5 |

| 100 YARDS | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 11.8 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 12.2 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 12.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 12.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 12.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 12.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 12.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 12.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 12.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 12.2 |

| 100 METRES | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 12.8 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 13.2 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 13.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13.2 |

| 200 METRES | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 23.5 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 24.2 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 24.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 24.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 24.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 24.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 24.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 24.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 24.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 24.2 |

| 400 METRES | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 53.5 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 54.2 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 54.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 54.2 |

| 800 METRES | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 2:06.5 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 2:07.2 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 2:07.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:07.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:07.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:07.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:07.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:07.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:07.2 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 2:07.2 |

| 1,500 METRES | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 4:23.2 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 4:25.8 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 4:25.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:25.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:25.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:25.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:25.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:25.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:25.8 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:25.8 |

| ONE MILE | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 4:38.4 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 4:38.4 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 4:38.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:38.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:38.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:38.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:38.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:38.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:38.4 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 4:38.4 |

| THREE MILES | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Stephen Xavier (HKAAAC) | 13:41.0 |
| Edith Louie (HKAAAC) | 13:41.0 |
| 2/Lt. J. O. Cave (1 RUH) | 13:41.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:41.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:41.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:41.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:41.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:41.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:41.0 |
| 2/Lt. R. A. B. Bosh (RAF) | 13:41.0 |

★ ★ A SEAT IN THE STALLS ★ ★



Roman Captain (Victor Mature) and Christian Prisoner (Jean Simmons) in "Androcles and the Lion".

G.B.S. Film Scores 3 Firsts

by SUE DAWSON

"ANDROCLE'S and the Lion" scores three firsts. It is the first time Bernard Shaw's scrupulous satirical comedy of Rome, 161 A.D., has been filmed, and it is Jean Simmons' first role since she emigrated to Hollywood as Mrs. Stewart "Jimmy" Granger. Both precedents are decidedly satisfactory. The third is an arbitrary first, awarded by Yours Truly who has had more laughs from this marriage of Gabriel Pascal creativeness and Shavian wit than from the past dozen pictures put together.

G.B.S. was at his most playful when he made merry with the ancient fable of a Roman slave who befriended a wounded lion, and was later spared by the grateful beast when they met in the Coliseum arena scene of the maddest sport of the day. Only Shaw's hero is a mild little fellow with a passion for animals. And his slavery is not to the Emperor's court or that of some rich nobleman as the legend implies, but to his deaf and dumb wife who, vividly portrayed by Elsa Lanchester, mercifully leaves the scene before very long. Alan Young is a perfect Androcles the gentle, who faces martyrdom for God and the honour of the ladies.

One laughs with the happy band of Christians being brought as bait for the gladiators and saved lions, and the gladiators' volunary Romans whose emperor was then the urbane, wily Caesar Antonius-Maurice Evans. But Shaw, intelligently adapted for the screen by Chester Erskine and Ken Englund, turns all these things into jolly good fellows through Ferovius winning Caesar's respect and freedom for his companions by slaying six gladiators single-handed. Robert Newton is a magnificent Ferovius the ferocious, a Christian continually at war with his muscles. Very insipid of Caesar's pardon, Androcles finds himself in the arena with a newly acquired lion, especially starved, whose keeper insists must be fed.

Besides all this there is the romance, which gives the story point and purpose. The hard-core Captain of the Roman Guard—Victor Mature—falls for his beautiful Christian prisoner, Lavinia, to whom Jean Simmons gives appealing life. But her faith stands firm against his entreaties to "burn the meense" to Zeus, and so he spared the horror of thousands cheering her lion-mangled death.

As you will have gathered, however, neither Shaw nor Pascal permits this, so all is well. So well, in fact, that you may have no hesitation in taking the whole family along to this slice of 161 A.D.

It took the veteran Drobny one hour and four minutes to win the title that he had previously captured in 1950 and 1951. He was awarded two cups—the trophy offered by President Franklin D. Roosevelt for three straight wins in the Rome tournament.

Apparently advised by the Australian team captain, Harry Hopman, Head persisted in getting to the net in an effort to volley the courtwise Drobny to death. But that proved to be Head's undoing. The Czech star generally dictated the run of the play throughout the match.

The bespectacled chunky veteran gave the young Australian a lesson in courtier and power precision. He did an excellent job with perfect placement to all parts of the court.

In a majority of cases, he beat the advancing Head with dazzling passing shots on either wing.

Miss Doris Hart scored an upset over Miss Maureen "Little Mo" Connolly in the finals of the Women's Singles, 4-0, 9-7, 6-3 to win the Championship. Miss Connolly played faulty tennis compared to what she had been doing so far in this tournament, and she was guilty of a series of double faults.

Miss Hart profited by Little Mo's lack of a strong smash and scored several impressive points setting up jobs which the San Diego girl hit into the net or out of court. Miss Hart lost defeated Miss Connolly in the Orange New Jersey tournament last year.—United Press.

HKFA To Apply For FIFA Membership

The Hongkong Football Association will apply to the Federation Internationale de Football (FIFA) to become a direct member of the Federation.

This was a decision reached at a meeting of the Council of the HKFA held yesterday with Mr. J. Skinner, the Chairman, presiding.

In reply to a question put by Mr. A. McAlpine, Mr. Skinner said that, contrary to what had been said previously, the Association was not an indirect member of FIFA. This was the information given to him when he was the Association's representative when he was in London and he had passed that information on to the Association.

Mr. Skinner said he thought it was fully in line with the dignity of the Association for it to take its place in the International Federation and he proposed that the Association make a formal application so that it will get on the agenda of FIFA at its next meeting.

There was unanimous approval that this be done. Mr. Skinner said that the Macao Football Association had written to express their appreciation of the reception accorded to the Portuguese team when it came here and praising not only the ability of the Hongkong interport team but also its sportsmanship.

There was a letter from the Linz Sports Club expressing gratitude for the hospitality extended to the visiting Austrians. Condolences were also expressed over the death of the late Mr. J. C. Gulgum, late Chairman of the Council.

Permission was given to Kwong Wah to visit Manila on May 20 and Taipei subsequently. Mr. Skinner pointed out that confirmation of the invitations to Kwong Wah had been received from the PAAF and from the Formosa FA.

NO CONFIRMATION

The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. also applied for permission for their team to play in Hong Kong, leaving here on May 20.

Mr. A. M. Omar, the Secretary, said that no confirmation had been received from Hanoi regarding an invitation.

Mr. Skinner said that since no confirmation had been received the Council could not do anything about the application. But should the confirmation come permission would be given.

The Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation of Hongkong sought and received permission to send a Chinese team to Singapore for the Ho Ho Cup match. The team would play eight matches in Malaya. It will leave on May 22.

The Chinese Football Association informed the HKFA that it was starting in June a summer football league for Chinese clubs.

The Chinese Football Association received permission to hold an exhibition football game between the Koreans and the Combined Chinese on May 10.

Captain W. A. George, Mr. L. F. de Souza, Mr. L. J. Channing, Mr. Ma Man-fai and Mr. C. S. Wang were appointed to the Charity Funds Allocation Subcommittee.

A meeting will be held on June 8 to discuss matters regarding the incorporation of the Association.

Stableford Contest

Members are reminded that the following is the system in force at Fanling for counting points in Stableford Competitions:

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| SAILINGS TO | | | |
|------------------------------|--|------------------|--|
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| "YUNNAN" | Tientsin | 10 a.m. 10th May | |
| "SHENGKING" | Shanghai | 5 p.m. 10th May | |
| "HUMAN" | Tientsin | 10 a.m. 20th May | |
| "HUPEI" | Tientsin | 10 a.m. 21st May | |
| "FENGTIEN" | Singapore, Belawan & Penang | 8 a.m. 22nd May | |
| "FOYANG" | Bangkok | 10 a.m. 23rd May | |
| "SHENGKING" | Keelung | 5 p.m. 23rd May | |
| "FUNGING" | Djakarta, Semarang, Sourabaya & Macassar | 8 a.m. 26th May | |
| "SZECHUEN" | Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe | 10 a.m. 29th May | |
| * Sails from Custodian Wharf | | | |
| ARRIVALS FROM | | | |
| "YUNNAN" | Shanghai | 13th May | |
| "SHENGKING" | Keelung | 7 a.m. 14th May | |
| "HUPEI" | Tientsin | 10th May | |
| "FENGTIEN" | Kobe | 20th May | |
| "FOYANG" | Kobe | 21st May | |
| "FUNGING" | Kobe | 24th May | |
| "YUCHOW" | Straits & Sibiu | 25th May | |

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| SAILINGS TO | | | |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--|
| "CHANGSHA" | Sydney & Melbourne | Noon 12th May | |
| "TAIPING" | Japan | 20th May | |
| "TAIYUAN" | Japan | 5th June | |
| ARRIVALS FROM | | | |
| "CHANGSHA" | Australia & Manila | In Port | |
| "TAIPING" | Australia & Manila | 20th May | |
| "TAIYUAN" | Australia & Manila | 1st June | |

BLUE FUNNEL LINE

| Scheduled Sailings to Europe via Aden & Port Said. | | | |
|--|---|-----------|--|
| "ASTYANAX" | Liverpool & Glasgow | 14th May | |
| "AEneas" | G. C. & London | 24th May | |
| "ASCANIUS" | Rotterdam & Hamburg | 25th May | |
| "PYRRHUS" | Marseilles, Dublin, Liverpool & Glasgow | 6th June | |
| "TELEMACHUS" | Liverpool & Glasgow | 14th June | |

Scheduled Sailings from Europe

| Sails | | | |
|------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|
| Liverpool | | Rotterdam | Arrives Hong Kong |
| G. "PYRRHUS" | Sailed | 14th May | 14th May |
| G. "TELEMACHUS" | do | 22nd May | 22nd May |
| G. "CALCIAS" | do | 30th May | 30th May |
| G. "AUTOMEDON" | do | 7th June | 7th June |
| G. "PELEUS" | 7th May | 13th May | 13th May |
| G. "BELLEROPHON" | 18th May | 22nd May | 22nd May |
| G. "MENTOR" | 24th May | 28th June | 28th June |
| G. "ALCINOUS" | 3rd June | 8th July | 8th July |

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| "BENRINNES" | Direct to Singapore, thence Havre, London, Rotterdam and Hull. 16th June |
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| "BENCRUACHAN" | Genoa, Avonmouth, Liverpool and Glasgow. 21st June |
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 12, 1953.

NOTICE

THE SHEK O DEVELOPMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that the Annual

General Meeting of the Share-

holders will be held in the

Board Room of Messrs.

Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,

Hong Kong, on Wednesday,

27th May, 1953, at 4 p.m., for

the purpose of receiving the

Report of the Directors,

passing the Accounts for the

Year ended 31st March, 1953,

and electing Directors and

Auditors.

By Order of the Board,

MARTIN & CO., Secretaries.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1953.

NOTICE

THE SHEK O COUNTRY CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that the Annual

General Meeting of The Shek O

Country Club will be held

at the Club House, Shek O,

on Wednesday, the 27th May,

1953 at 7 p.m. for the purpose

of receiving the Report of

the Committee for the Year

ended 31st March, 1953, and

to elect the Committee for

the ensuing year.

Nominations for the new

Committee must be in the

hands of the Secretaries not

later than Wednesday, the

20th May.

Week-day members are

cordially invited to attend the

Meeting.

Members desirous of stay-

ing on for dinner are kindly

requested to advise the Club

Steward not later than the

day before the Meeting.

By Order of the General

Committee

MARTIN & CO., Secretaries.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1953.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

MAERSK LINE

m/v "LAURA MAERSK"

having arrived from New York and Ports of call. Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk and expense into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godown at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional cargo will not be landed free, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, where they will be examined after 18th May, 1953, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined after 18th May, 1953, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 12th June, 1953, or they will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

JENSEN & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1953.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Consignees per Company's

m.v. "LA MARSEILLAISE"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on Saturday, 16th May, 1953.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 18th May, 1953, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 22nd May, 1953, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Agents.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1953.

Contracts Signed

Tokyo, May 10.

Special procurement contracts concluded with the United States Forces during the week ended May 9 amounted to US\$5,337,000, according to the Economic Deliberation Board.

The total consisted of US\$5,012,000 in goods and the remainder in services. Contracts on a dollar basis amounted to US\$5,334,000.

The major contracted goods were electric batteries, duck cloth shoes for winter wear, coats for winter wear, bridge construction steel, plywood, linplate and winter caps.—France-Press.

Order Given To Portugal

Wellington, May 11.

An agreement providing for the construction by Portugal of minesweepers and escort vessels destined for use by North Atlantic Treaty Organisation countries has been announced by the United States Navy.

The Navy said the United States' share of costs would be approximately \$7,500,000, paid under the Mutual Defence Assistance Programme. This represented slightly more than half of the total cost. The remainder would be paid by Portugal.—Reuter.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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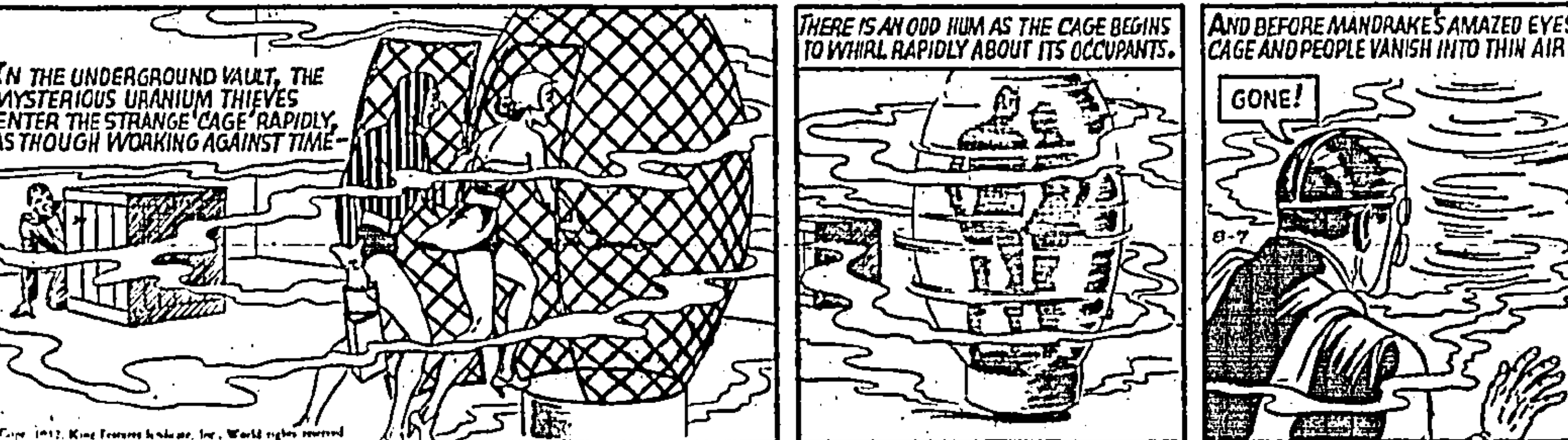
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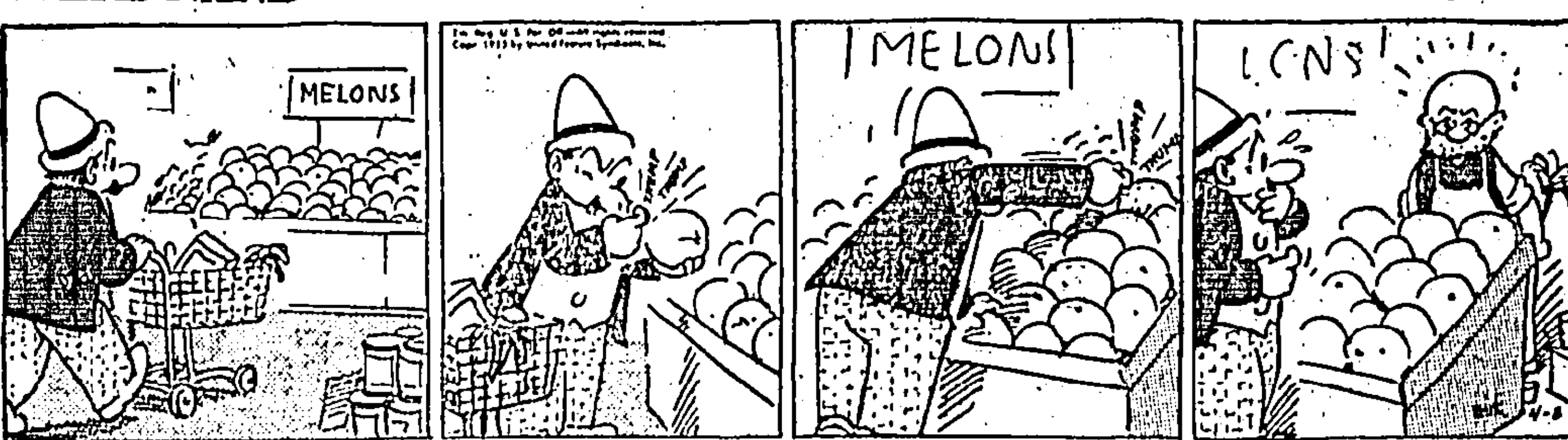
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|------------------|----------|--|
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| | | |
|---------|----------------|--|
| "OBRA" | due 16th May | from P. Gulf, Karachi, Bombay, Colombo & S. Port for Japan |
| | sails 17th May | for Japan |
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Reds Retreat From Policy On Agriculture

(By Sydney G. Campbell, Reuter's Financial Editor)

What the Economic Commission for Europe describes as the decision of the East European Governments to "speed up industrialisation to the neglect of agriculture" was a deliberate decision.

If a retreat has been needed, it is not because the plans have gone wrong but because in those half-baked countries they set up intolerable strain.

According to the ECE (which is sometimes accused of being too prone to take Soviet statistics at their face value) the targets for industry have generally been hit, and the desired pattern of allocation of resources has been achieved.

Though agriculture is stagnant at or below its pre-war levels, it does not, except in Bulgaria, seem to be lagging very far behind the plans.

The Governments could at any time have relieved the strain by diverting investment to the two neglected sectors—capitalisation of agriculture, and urban housing for the migrants from the countryside into the towns.

Writing just before Stalin's demise, the ECE thought that "it should be perfectly possible for Governments, if they so wish, to increase investment in housing and in agriculture without reducing investment elsewhere. There is so far little evidence that they do so wish." That last conclusion may now require revision.

The "big weakness" of Eastern Europe, as seen by the ECE, is thus "the inability so far of governments to control the 'balance of payments' between industry and agriculture." To get round this situation the Governments have used three main weapons against the peasants.

American Petroleum Industry's Request

Washington, May 11. Spokesmen for the independent oil producers today asked Congress to slow down petroleum imports, contending that flood of foreign oil is damaging the domestic industry and weakening national security.

Mr. Russell B. Brown, General Counsel of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, told the House Ways and Means Committee that "it would be unsound and dangerous to continue a policy of increasing reliance upon foreign sources of petroleum supply. Oil from Canada, from Central and South America and to a far lesser extent from the Middle East may be important to the security of the United States and the rest of the Western Hemisphere. Oil from within our own borders, however, is our first line of defence. It must be adequate at all times."

Mr. Brown and other spokesmen for relatively small oil producers urged the Committee to limit oil imports to 10 per cent of domestic production.

This is one of the provisions in a controversial bill by Representative Richard M. Simpson, Republican, Pennsylvania, to continue the reciprocal trade agreement programme another year but with drastic changes. The present trade law expires on June 12.

Apart from security considerations, Mr. Brown said, the IPAA questioned "the wisdom of a policy under which a larger and larger part of the oil supply for the American public would be under the control of a few world-wide oil companies."

"GREATLY ALARMED" He added, "No one should be misled into believing that reliance on a few companies domestic industry will mean lower prices to the consumer," he said.

Mr. Charlton H. Lyons, President of the Independent Petroleum Association, said that his group had long recognised a place for oil imports and the 10 per cent limitation was a fair and flexible relationship between imports and domestic production.

Mr. J. P. Coleman, President of the National Stripper Well Association, said that small oil producers "are greatly alarmed at the tremendous and consistent rise in imports into this country that has occurred since the war." He added, "We do not advocate excluding imports but certainly if we give up our foreign markets and 10 per cent of our domestic market have been reasonable."—United Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$400,837.75. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES
BANKS
 HSBC Bank ... 140 1465
 East Asia ... 147
INSURANCES
 Union ... 750 770
 Underwriters ... 400

SHIPPING
 Waterboat ... 1410 1414
DOCKS, ETC.
 K. Wah ... 78
 Provident ... 1140 500 1130
 Shai Dock ... 1200 210
 Wheelock ... 740 180 730

LAND, ETC.
 HK Land ... 714 733 7000 730
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UTILITIES
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KEY STRATEGY
 Here is the ECE's punch paragraph: "The decisions to stake everything on rapid development of heavy industry seem to have been taken in 1950 after the general deterioration of East-West relations and the tightening of links between the Eastern European Governments implied by the formation in 1949 of the Council of Mutual Economic Assistance with headquarters in Moscow."

In other words, the battle with the peasants was designed as key strategy in the cold war. The writer of the cited article in the Banker puts it that the Eastern countries are all trying to extend collective farming "in order to support their industrial revolutions— which in turn are very largely motivated by the need to satisfy Russia's economic plans and war machine."

There is ample evidence that, in this biting of what Russia herself was hardly able to chew in much more propitious conditions, they bit off much more than they could chew. By purging physical breakdowns and displacements of Eastern European leaders this year suggested something out of the ordinary, even by Eastern standards of ruthlessness.

Yugoslavia, also a Communist country, is in rapid retreat from collectivisation of agriculture. The flight of a couple of thousand refugees a day to Western Berlin—able-bodied people leaving their petted abodes for farms and jobs knowing that they are at least temporarily in for a squall and a suspension of one of the most remarkable sights now to be seen. The strain in the East that has impelled this migration may have even more remarkable manifestations in the large Eastern area that cannot be seen through Berlin's blink in the Iron Curtain.—Reuter.

LONDON TIN MARKET
 London, May 11. The tin market was quiet and steady at the lower levels. Turnover was 30 tons. Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:

Spot tin, buyers ... 730
 Three-month tin, buyers ... 730
 Three-month tin, sellers ... 730
 Business done at ... 730-730
 Settlement ... 730
 —United Press.

JAPANESE BONDS
 London, May 11. Japanese bonds "A" (4s. of 1950) 83
 "B" (4s. of 1951) 70 1/2
 "C" (4s. of 1952) 125 1/2
 "D" (4s. of 1953) 100 1/2
 "E" (5 1/2s. of 1950) 142 1/2
 Consols ... 60-9 1/2
 —United Press.

Exchange Rates
 Business was done in the local market at the following rates: 60/11
 US dollar (per 100) ... 158 1/2
 Australian dollar (per 100) ... 21 1/2
 Hong Kong dollar (per 100) ... 21 1/2
 Singapore dollar (per 100) ... 21 1/2
 FIC (per 100) ... 11 1/2
 —United Press.

Japan Textile Exports Show Increase

Tokyo, May 11.

Exports of textiles in April totalled US\$32,397,000, an increase of more than US\$2,000,000 from March, according to the Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

The figure for April is the highest this year but below the monthly average. Cotton textiles were virtually unchanged but others showed an increase in exports. The figure for raw silk was the highest this year as well as chemical fibres and textiles, the latter due to increased demand from Indonesia.

Of the total, cotton textiles accounted for roughly US\$14,500,000, raw silk US\$4,000,000, chemical fibres US\$10,000,000 and silk fabrics US\$3,897,000.—France-Press.

Prospects Of Shipping Shares In London

(By Norman Crump, Sunday Times City Editor)

During the past fortnight four important shipping reports have been published.

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The relatively moderate dividend was ascribed to an increase in operating costs.

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RUBBER STUDY GROUP

Meeting Begins In Copenhagen

Copenhagen, May 11.

The tenth meeting of the International Rubber Study Group opened here today and it was understood that the discussions would concentrate on a draft international rubber agreement worked out by the Group's Working Party.

Complete secrecy as to the details of the heavy agenda was maintained by conference officials.

Mr. Edouard Strandberg, one of the directors of the Ditranno Asiatic Company and the leading Danish delegate, indicated that the agenda was so heavy that the meeting, scheduled to conclude on May 15, might continue to May 18.

It was announced that there would be no releases to the Press during the meeting. A communiqué will be issued at the conclusion of the conference.

Informed sources said that the draft international rubber agreement provides for an international rubber Council whose tasks would be:

FREE PLAY
 1.—To counter the economic difficulties caused by the fact that adjustments between production and consumption of natural rubber cannot depend upon the free play of market forces alone as free play adjustments would not be fast enough.

2.—To alleviate notable fluctuations in the price of natural rubber with the purpose of achieving a just degree of stability.

3.—To stimulate the production of rubber with advantage to producers as well as consumers.

BUFFER STOCK
 To accomplish objectives, the sources said, the draft agreement calls for the accumulation, if necessary, of a buffer stock of natural rubber administered by the proposed International Rubber Council.

The Council would buy rubber when the price fell to a certain agreed level and sell rubber when it rose to another level.

It was understood that these price levels would be fixed in accordance with the price relations between general purpose synthetic rubber and natural rubber on the United States market.

Conference sources indicated that funds for the proposed Rubber Council would be contributed by the governments of importing and exporting countries in accordance with their imports or exports during the 1949-53 period.

Each signatory government under this plan would contribute a certain sum for each ton of natural rubber imported or exported during this period, it was said.—United Press.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS
 Passengers are requested to note that the "La Marseillaise" will sail for Yokohama and Kobe on Tuesday, May 12th 1953 at 10 p.m. instead of at 8 p.m. as previously announced.

Passengers are requested to embark between 5 and 8 p.m. on that date.

There will be no change in the hours for registration of baggage.

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"SNORKEL"

Under-Selling Threat By Japan Is Lessened

(From ERNEST ASHWICK)

Geneva, May 11.
The shadow of Japan's shilling shirt, and the threat of Japanese under-selling when she becomes a member of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, paled tonight following rumours that the tariff negotiations fixed for September may be postponed.

No definite decision has yet been taken to put off these talks between the 34-member nations but several countries, including Britain and the Commonwealth, believe no useful work can be done until a clear-cut trade policy is made known by the United States.

Fluctuating developments in President Eisenhower's trade policy are at the base of that belief. His decision to ask Congress for an extension of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act for one year without a thorough study of the tariff reductions in any negotiations for another 12 months at least.

The earlier plan, to which the United States agreed in February, was for full-scale talks on tariff cuts in September.

If the talks are postponed, Japan's application for membership will also be put off and she will be unable to start trade negotiations with the 16 countries she has already named, including Britain—London Express Service.

Mail Notices

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TUESDAY, MAY 12
By Air
India-China, France, French North and West Africa, 4.30 p.m.; Air Vietnam, 5 p.m.; T.A.C. Japan, 6 p.m.; Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.; B.O.A.C. 6.45 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13
By Air
Macao, 9 a.m.; 10 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak/Shing.
By Surface
Philippines, 9 a.m.; Guam, 10 a.m.; U.S.A. Canada, 10 a.m.; via P.A.L. India-China, 10 a.m.; New Zealand, 10 a.m.; Australia, 10 a.m.; New Zealand, 10 a.m.; C.A.T. Japan, 10 a.m.; B.O.A.C. Japan, 10 a.m.; Pakistan, New Zealand, Ceylon, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 10 p.m. By Surface

THURSDAY, MAY 14
By Air
Famously, 1 p.m.; via C.A.T. Philippines, 1 p.m.; Guam, 1 p.m.; U.S.A. (San Francisco), 1.30 p.m.; P.A.L. North Borneo, 6 p.m.; C.P.A. Siam, 6 p.m.; Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.; C.P.A. / B.O.A.C. Okinawa, U.S.A., 6 p.m.; H.K.A.N. W.A.L. 6 p.m.; 9 a.m.; 10 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak/Shing.
By Surface
Macao, 9 a.m.; 10 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak/Shing. 9.30 a.m. train via Canton.
Korea, Noon, as Moly. Philippines, Noon, as Burma.

**Disobedient
Boy**
A Chinese woman whose 12-year-old son admitted stealing \$100 was told by Mr. D. Benson at the Central Juvenile Court this morning: "You should try and teach him properly, and not bully him the whole time."

To the boy, Mr. Benson declared: "You must learn to be obedient to your mother." After stressing the seriousness of the offence to the defendant, he ordered him to be placed on probation for two years.

When the case first came up last Saturday, the boy admitted having stolen the money from the wallet of a friend of his mother's the day before. The money was recovered.

The mother had then asked the Court to place her son in a juvenile institution because she said she could no longer cope with his disobedience.

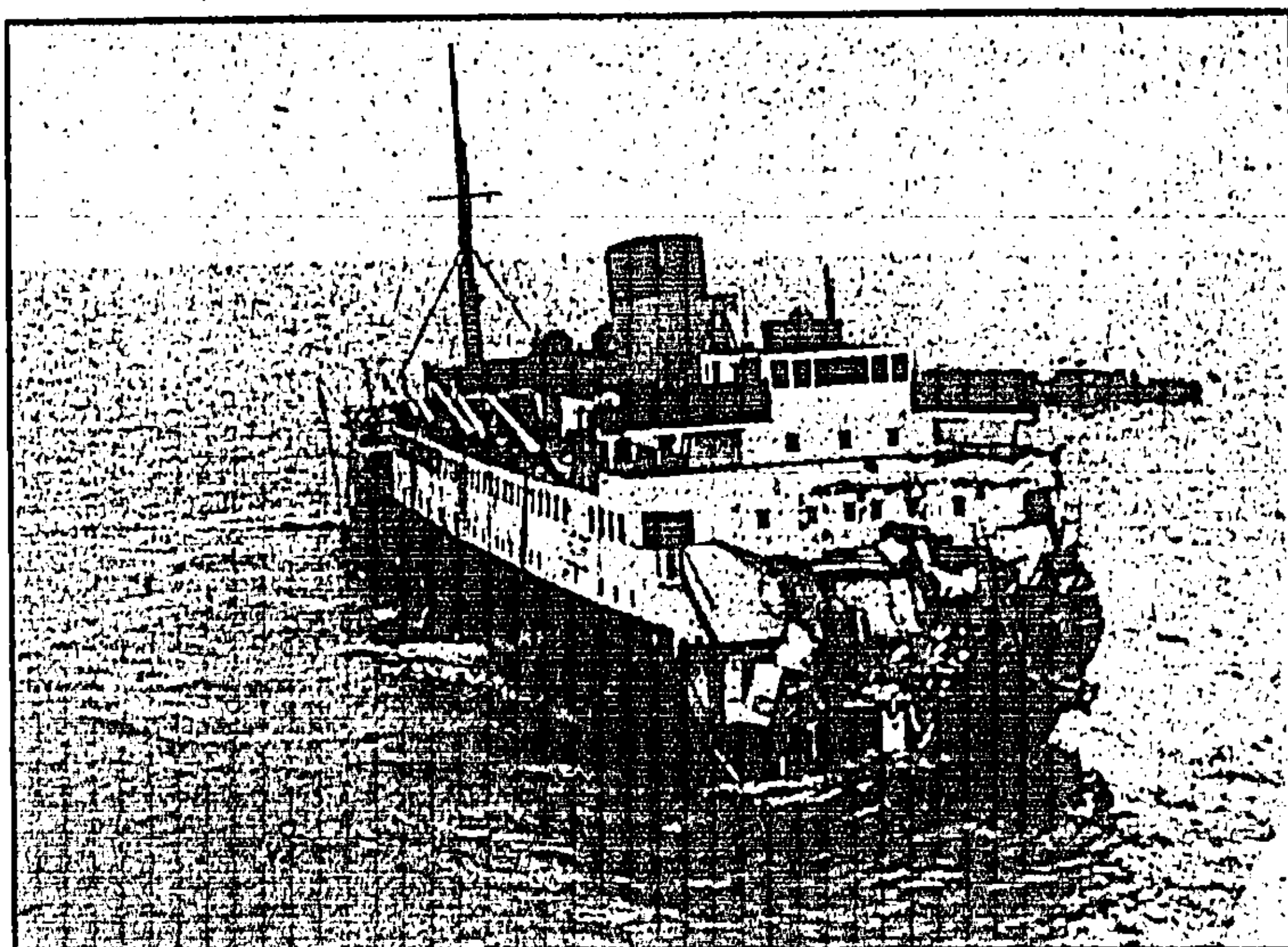
Quake Recorded
San Francisco, May 11. The University of California seismograph recorded a strong two-hour earthquake, probably in the vicinity of the Solomon Islands in the southwest Pacific, at 10.29 a.m. GMT today—Reuter.

**FIRST FLIGHT
ANNOUNCED**
Oslo, May 11.
The first flight from Oslo to Tokyo across the Arctic areas will be made by a Norwegian DC-6B passenger plane on May 23-25, it was officially announced here tonight.

The flight is sponsored by the Norwegian Air Force with a chartered Scandinavian Airlines plane, with a crew of ten, to bring 40 members of the Norwegian field hospital to Tokyo.

During the trip, the Cloudmaster will cover a distance of 12,000 kilometres in 39 hours in the air. That is, 20 hours less than the ordinary route from Oslo to Tokyo over Asia—United Press.

SHIP LOSES BOW IN COLLISION



This picture taken from the air shows the British Railway steamer Duke of York after a collision with the American cargo ship Haiti Victory in the North Sea. The whole of the Duke of York's bow forward of the bridge broke off and sunk after the accident. — London Express photo.

Alleged Conspiracy: Today's Evidence

Further Crown evidence was adduced when hearing of a case against three private detectives accused of conspiracy to defeat the ends of justice continued before Judge Scholes in the Victoria District Court this morning.

The accused are Lam Yung-hon, 34, proprietor of the Y. H. Lam Private Detective Agency, and his brothers Lam Yung-kit, 39, and Lam Yung-tai, 32. They are charged with having arranged for the fabrication of false evidence to be given in a divorce action heard in 1952 in which the petitioner was Wong Kam-chiu and the respondent was Lee Sau-ying, alias Lee Man-wah.

The Hon. Leo D'Almeida, Q.C., and Mr. Oswald Cheung, are appearing for the first accused, instructed by Messrs Lo and Lo. Second and third accused are represented by Mr. D. A. L. Wright, on the instructions of P.H. Sin and Company.

Mr. D. F. O'Reilly Mayne, Crown Counsel, is conducting the case for the prosecution, assisted by Mr. J. Moore, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation.

The accused are on bail of \$10,000.

Mr. Pau Shu-chong, recently retired Chief Interpreter of the Supreme Court in evidence this morning said that he acted as interpreter in a divorce action in which the petitioner was Wong Kam-chiu and the respondent Lee Sau-ying.

A PHOTOGRAPH
Witness said he remembered the evidence given on July 5 by Henry Mok Hon-lai (formerly employed as investigator and photographer by the Y. H. Lam Detective Agency) who produced a photograph alleged to have been taken by him at the Shan Kwong Hotel. At the time the alleged photograph was taken, Mok said that third accused was with him, witness recalled. The photograph was said to have been taken through a fanlight of a door outside a room. Witness said that Mok had stated that he used a ladder to climb up to the fanlight.

Witness also recalled that third accused also stated in evidence that he (third accused) had climbed the ladder, looked into the room and then came down and spoke to Mok.

On July 12 Mok stated that he took the photograph from a different position, possibly inside the room, witness said. Mok had then changed his evidence a great deal. He asked the Court to excuse him and added that he thought that what he had said in evidence on July 5 was correct.

At the same hearing (July 12) third accused told the Court that he did not go up the ladder, witness said.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wright, witness agreed that he was absolutely impossible to remember every word or sentence given by witness.

NOTES CORRECT
Mr. Pau agreed that the notes taken down by the Chief Justice at the divorce hearing were correct. The notes, read out by Counsel, stated: "The evidence of Lam Yung-tai was that when the ladder was in position Mok

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(Or How To Get Things Set
Right In Hongkong)

Hongkong's a hundred years
It's moribund and stinking;
Vote for me and you'll soon
find,
That I shall do your thinking.

For when I'm on the Council
I'll be your
You'll put my back;
And shout for joy.

I don't know what to tackle
first,
So many things are rotten;
Let me know what you think
Before you have forgotten.
For when I'm on the Council
I'll be your
You'll dance for joy.

I'm not afraid to say my say,
And say it with conviction;
With every topic I'm all full,
From Finance to Eviction.
And when I'm on the Council
I'll be your
I'll make 'em squirm.

I will—What 'ol
There's nothing that I cannot
do,
As well as you, or better;
I'm not the one for bally-
hoo,
I'm the Number One Go-
getter.

And when I'm on the Council
I'll be your
You bet your life
I'll make things hum.

It's up to you to cast your
vote,
To make sure I'm elected;
For if you don't, you'll be a
goal, and hopelessly de-
jected.
If I'm not on the Council,
Mate,
Don't blame me for your
cruel fate.

Hongkong's a million years
behind;
Two million votes go beg-
ging,
Its Government is best de-
fined,
As supine and reneging.
When I am on the Council,
Sir,
It's common ground I'll make
a stir.

—Anon.

**Change In Radio
Programme**
A last-minute change has been made in part of tonight's Radio Hongkong programmes.

At 10 p.m. the station will take a BBC broadcast of the House of Commons debate on foreign affairs. It will last for ten minutes.

Radio Hongkong

8.15 p.m.
Time Signal and Programme Summary: 8.15 p.m. Melody with the Stars; 8.20 p.m. Twilight Harmony; 7 p.m. Fiction presented by Donald Brooks (Studio); 7.10 p.m. Weather Report; 7.15 p.m. Time Signal and World News (London Relay); 8.10 p.m. Election Talk by Candidate for Urban Council, Mr. P. D. Au (Recorded); 8.15 p.m. Rhythm and Blues—Lillian Webb and Eric James (Recorded); 8.30 p.m. Favourites (London Relay); 8.45 p.m. News—Lillian Webb and Eric James (Recorded); 9 p.m. Return to Fantasy—A Feature programme written and introduced by Wynne Vaughan (Recorded); 9.15 p.m. BBC relay of House of Commons debate on foreign affairs; 10.15 p.m. Ballad: "Gladie" (Adam); 10.30 p.m. (Chabrier)—London Philharmonic Orchestra, cond. by Antal Dorati; 10.45 p.m. News; 11 p.m. Radio News Reel (London Relay); 11.15 p.m. Goodnight: "God Save The Queen"; 11.30 p.m. Close down.

CHINESE BANK GIVEN JUDGMENT BY FULL COURT OF APPEAL

The Full Court of Appeal, comprising the Chief Justice, Sir Gerard Howe, and the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice E. H. Williams, this morning dismissed with costs an appeal from the decision of the Trial Judge (Mr Justice Reece) who heard four actions which were consolidated and tried together.

Mr Justice Reece had given judgment on all claims in favour of the respondents, the United Chinese Bank Ltd, of 8A Des Voeux Road Central, against the appellants, Albert Francis Bailey, of 4 Wing On Bank Building, third floor, and Fong Chaut Lau (a restaurant), formerly operating at 480 Hennessy Road, Wanchai.

Appellants were represented by Mr Brook A. Bernatchi, instructed by Mr Y. H. Chiu, while Mr John McNeill, Q.C. and Mr A. J. Clifford, instructed by Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the respondents.

In a written judgment, the Full Court said:
The facts concern a series of transactions between the appellants and respondents regarding the purchase by the appellants Bailey, of 100 metric tons of Danish carbon black. The respondents had agreed with Bailey to arrange a confirmed irrevocable without recourse letter of credit in favour of Albion Products, Barbican Chambers, London E.C.1, where, by the respondents agreed to honour certain drafts to be drawn on the appellant Bailey at 60 days after sight. The object of the letter of credit was to enable the appellant Bailey to finance the purchase of the Danish carbon black.

The respondents were to pay the bills drawn on Bailey at the production of the shipping documents. An irrevocable and confirmed letter of credit was opened on his behalf by the respondent Bank, Albion Products drew three bills of exchange on Bailey at the respondent Bank; the bills were honoured and paid these bills. In due course 51 metric tons (2,960 bags) of the carbon black arrived in the Colony and the bills drawn on Bailey by Albion Products were presented to and paid by the respondent Bank in the sum of £27,772.74. Later the Bank's debit note in connection with this transaction was sent to Bailey and his account was debited in the sum of £27,447.01; a marginal deposit of \$80,080 had already been made by Bailey under the letter of credit. The remaining 49 metric tons (2,950 bags) never arrived in the Colony; they had been shipped at Korsor but for some reason were not carried on from Bremen, the port of shipment. Bailey's account was debited with a further \$10,072.74 due on a second bill of exchange drawn by Albion Products on Bailey at the respondent Bank for £1,887.97d.

PLEADINGS
In their pleadings the appellants claimed that the respondents had wrongfully accepted two bills of lading covering the respective cargo of 51 tons and 49 tons; they said that the bills were not clean bills of lading issued by the respondents but were bills of lading issued by the respondents in violation of the terms of the letter of credit in that they bore in addition to words "goods shipped in apparent good order and condition," words of qualification, viz. "weight... value unknown," that the respondents were therefore, acting wrongfully in debiting Bailey's accounts with these two sums of \$27,000 and \$10,000 in respect of the cargoes. The appellant Bailey also claimed the return of the marginal deposit of \$80,080 and the sum of \$27,447.01 in damages suffered by him by reason of the improper acceptance of documents under the letter of credit contract.

This latter sum was claimed as damages for loss of profits arising from the alleged inability of the appellant Bailey to fulfil certain contracts for the re-sale of the carbon black because of the non-arrival in Hongkong of part of the cargo. The Trial Judge rejected this head of damages for reasons which appear to us to be correct. There are two obvious grounds of which is sufficient for the dismissal of this claim. Firstly there was no evidence before the Court that the original vendor of the Danish carbon black was aware, at the time he entered into the contract for the sale, that the contract was made by the purchase with a view to re-sale. Had the vendors fallen in their contract they could not, therefore, have been saddled with the loss of profit on a contract for re-sale of which contract they were ignorant and which did not form part of their contract; obviously the respondent Bank could be in no worse position than the

PAYMENT QUESTION

The question which was argued at length before this Court was whether the respondents had paid money under a letter of credit against documents which did not comply strictly with the terms of the credit. Mention has already been made of the respondents' pleading that the bills of lading were not clean bills of lading but were bills of lading issued by the respondents in violation of the terms of the letter of credit. It is to be noted that under "Particulars" of the respondents' pleading, the relevant part of the clause (3) reads: "The respondents agreed to honour certain drafts to be drawn on the appellant Bailey at 60 days after sight. The object of the letter of credit was to enable the appellant Bailey to finance the purchase of the Danish carbon black."

It was contended on behalf of the appellant, Bailey, that by virtue of the clause (3) of the letter of credit, which was issued as a purchaser, did not receive the protection to which he was entitled under the letter of credit. This point was not specifically pleaded and though the matter was raised during the trial, the respondents made no mention of the matter in their pleadings. The Trial Judge made no mention of the matter in his judgment. It is most undesirable that such a matter should be pleaded and should be taken at the hearing.

SOME FACTS

Before dealing with the first contention, a few facts contained in the judgment should be mentioned. The bills of lading were issued by the respondents in violation of the terms of the letter of credit. The respondents were not entitled to debit Bailey's account with the sum of \$27,000 and \$10,000 in respect of the cargoes. The appellant Bailey also claimed the return of the marginal deposit of \$80,080 and the sum of \$27,447.01 in damages suffered by him by reason of the improper acceptance of documents under the letter of credit contract.

The appeal is therefore dismissed with costs.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Grandma says happy marriages depend on a good position, not good looks—she told me you'll do."

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